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OUTLINES.

Another South Carolina cotton mill incorporated. —— The Secretary of War asks for an appropriation for protection of the sea wall at Fort Caswell, N. C. —— The Boers are massing at Biggarsberg. —— Imperial troops and the "Boxers" had a severe fight in the province of Chi Li, China. —— Roberts reports skirmishing with the Boer forces; no engagement is expected; heavy rains militate against a British advance; there is much sickness among the Boer prisoners. —— The army appropriation bill considered in the House; Porto Rico affairs in the Senate. —— New York markets: Money on call easier, actual transactions at 2@4 per cent, the last loan being at 3 per cent.; cotton steady, middling uplands 9¾c; flour quiet but steady, with a fair business; wheat—spot steady, No. 2 red 76c; corn—spot easy, No. 2 44½c; oats—spot steady, No. 2 28½c; rosin steady; spirits turpentine quiet.

WEATHER REPORT.

U. S. DEP'T OF AGRICULTURE, WEATHER BUREAU, WILMINGTON, N. C., March 27.

Temperatures: 8 A. M., 50 degrees; 8 P. M., 52 degrees; maximum, 60 degrees; minimum, 59 degrees; mean, 55 degrees.

Rainfall for the day, .03; rainfall since 1st of the month up to date, 2.92 inches.

Stage of water at 8 A. M. at Fayetteville 9 8 feet.

FORECAST FOR TO DAY.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—For North Carolina: Rain Wednesday; warmer in the eastern and central portions. Thursday rain; winds mostly fresh easterly.

Port Almanac—March 28.

Sun Rises	5.53 A. M.
Sun Sets	6.19 P. M.
Day's Length	12 H.26 M
High Water at Southport	5 56P M.
High Water, Wilmington	8.26 P. M

Some 4,000 American firms have entered exhibits for the Paris show. This will give the Europeans some idea of what American skill and genius are doing.

It took a campaign fund of $18,000,000 to pull McKinley through last time, and Mark Hanna is setting his pins to raise $25,000,000 or $30,000,000 for the next racket.

Rev. Mr. Sheldon, who undertook for a week, on the Topeka *Capital*, to show how "Christ would run a newspaper," raked in between $10,000 and $15,000 as his share of the profits.

Maud S., for many years the queen of the turf, died a few days ago, aged 26 years. She was purchased many years ago by the late Robert Bonner, and was never raced for money after that.

A Pennsylvania man who has discovered a process for tanning hides in one fifth the time required by the ordinary process and at less cost, has traded his secret for $25,000 cash and two cents royalty on every hide so tanned.

The monument to be erected to Zebulon Vance in Raleigh will cost $7,000, $2,000 of which was subscribed and $5,000 appropriated by the State. The sculptor says it will be the best standing figure of Vance ever produced.

A Manila correspondent of the New York *Post*, says a young man with $10,000 as a starter, might do pretty well in the Philippines, if he had good business qualifications, but a young man relying wholly upon his exertions would stand a pretty good chance of starving.

The charter for the new Carnegie steel company was taken out in New Jersey and New Jersey got $32,000 for the job, with $11,750 annually for the charter tax. That State sees a good deal in trusts and gets more out of them than others who have dealings with them.

John W. Gates, chief engineer of the Steel Wire Trust, struck out for himself as a clerk in a village store in Illinois. Not many years ago he was working for $20 a week. Now he is worth between $15,000,000 and $20,000,000, from which it may be inferred that he understands how to manipulate the wires.

A regular perambulating gold bug put in his appearance in Chicago one day last week. His name is Benson McKee, of New Mexico, and he went to Chicago with a train load of horses. All the buttons on his outer garments were of gold coins ranging from double eagles on his overcoat to $5 pieces on undercoat and pants. He created a little sensation, and in reply to the inquiry why he was so extravagant in his buttons, answered that they were his and that he had a right to wear them when and where he chose.

LOCAL DOTS.

— The Clyde steamship *Saginaw* arrived in port early yesterday morning.

— Spirits turpentine was firm on the local market yesterday at 51½@52 cents.

— There were several minor "scraps" between "enthusiastic" voters in the Fifth ward yesterday, but none of the participants was injured seriously.

— Messrs. Zachary & Zachary, the contractors, are making very gratifying progress on the new building for Messrs. I. M. Bear & Co., corner Front and Grace streets.

— A deed was filed yesterday for registration, conveying to Mrs. James C. Stewart the property on the southeast corner of Second and Grace streets. The consideration was $2,100.

— The condition of Mr. James W. Monroe was encouraging yesterday. He has not regained the power of speech, but is conscious and appears to be improving in other respects.

— The river steamboats *Hurt, Hawes* and *A. J. Johnson* were in port yesterday and cleared in the afternoon for their respective return trips, the first named to Fayetteville and the others to Clear Run, N. C.

— The new police patrol wagon was put to the test yesterday. One of the fire horses was attached to it and Chief Schnibben and several of his friends had the honor of taking the first ride in the "Black Maria."

— The pulpit committee of the First Presbyterian church hopes to have with the congregation next Sunday Rev. E. E. Gillespie, of Greensboro, superintendent of the Synodical Evangelistic Committee, who will preach morning and evening.

— Messrs. Wm. P. Clyde & Co. have given notice of a removal of the Wilmington and Georgetown steamer wharf to Pier 45, North River, north side Christopher street ferry, in conjunction with Clyde Line steamers for Charleston, S. C., and Jacksonville, Fla.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

A Shrier—Spring hats.
Clyde Line—Removal notice.
Murchison National Bank—Capital $200,000.00.
Wilmington Savings & Trust Co.—Deposit now.

PERSONAL PARAGRAPHS.

— Mr. P. R. Albright, of Raleigh, is registered at The Orton.

— Mr. F. F. Mills went to Richmond last night on business.

— Mr. John A. Jones, of Laurinburg, is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr William Goodman left yesterday for a trip to the Northern markets.

— Mr. Walter D. Thomas, of Savannah, Ga., is a guest of The Orton.

— Mr. E. Keith Calder left last evening for a business trip to Thomasville, Ga.

— Mr. A. David left for Philadelphia last night to purchase Spring and Summer clothing.

— Mrs. Irving Robinson, of Gibson Station, was visiting in the city yesterday, the guest of relatives and friends.

— Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, Maj John D. Shaw, of Rockingham, and R. O. Burton, Esq., of Raleigh, were among yesterday's registrations at The Orton.

"Why Smith Left Home."

Mr. George H. Broadhurst's "Why Smith Left Home" was lucidly explained at the Opera House last night.

The play was characteristic of all Broadhurst's effusions and brimmed with fun from start to finish.

It had to do with a series of family events occurring during the honeymoon of a Mr. and Mrs. Smith, and was as bright and clever a play as has been presented this season.

The actors were all good and spoke their lines in a clever, and very acceptable manner.

Frank Tannehill, Jr., was good, and Jay Williams in a German role contributed much to the amusement of the audience.

Police Court.

John Hawkins, the negro who created such an excitement by fleeing out of a negro gambling den and firing at several of his pursuers who had been beaten in a crap game over a store on Dock street Monday morning, was arraigned in the police court yesterday morning, but it appeared that he was set upon by four or five of his fellow gamesters and he was discharged. Warrants have been sworn out for several of the participants in the game, but none of the parties have been apprehended.

Annie Tillman, colored, was given ten days for disorderly conduct in Strauss' Alley Monday night.

Mr. W. H. Gaylord Absolved.

Final details of the composition with his creditors by Mr. W. H. Gaylord was yesterday arranged and he was discharged from bankruptcy. Forty-five per cent. was paid to each creditor, and the numerous friends of Mr. Gaylord will learn with pleasure that he has settled off everything to the satisfaction of those concerned and is now free to enter into business unhampered by litigation.

WILLARD NOMINATED

For the Legislature by a Small Majority at the Second Primary Yesterday.

LARGE VOTE WAS POLLED.

All Precincts Heard from Except Harnett Township, No. 1—Federal Point Not Interested and Held No Election—Result Declared.

Politically speaking, yesterday was a "warm" day and even more enthusiasm was manifested in the race before the second primary for the nomination for the remaining member of the Legislature than was in evidence upon the general primary last Thursday for all Democratic county and legislative offices.

Mr. Martin S. Willard was the successful candidate and while Harnett township has not yet reported from the polling place at the old Township House, Mr. Willard's friends contend that his majority will range upwards of 60 or 75 and this appears to be a conservative estimate. In Federal Point township, where there are only about twelve Democratic voters, no election was held. Eight out of the nine precincts in the county in which primaries were held give Willard 1,210, Empie 1,095, a majority for the first named of 115. The returns from the missing precinct will decrease this majority, but it is believed that it will not affect the general result. This precinct at the first primary gave Rountree 12, Willard 4, Empie 61 and Freeman 52.

The vote cast at the primary yesterday was much larger than that of Thursday last, when it numbered 2,085, against 2,305 yesterday, with Harnett township, precinct No. 1, to be added. The vote in the country precincts was very light and, as stated, in Federal Point township from best information obtainable last night, no primary whatever was held. It was a hard fought contest from start to finish in the city, and the discrepancy in the vote in the country was easily made up in the city.

The vote for coroner was not marked by any great enthusiasm on the part of either candidate, and Dr. W. F. Stokes was nominated over Mr. J. C. Walton by a majority of 651, the vote being Stokes 1,413, Walton 762, with Harnett yet to hear from, which will decrease the majority to some extent.

The day passed off very quietly and few charges of unfairness were made by either side. In the First Ward it was charged that six more ballots were found in the box upon the final count than were names on the registry book and a like condition was reported from one or two other precincts, but no formal protest was entered to the executive committee to whom the returns were made at the Court House last night. The committee will meet again to-day and thoroughly canvass the vote, but it is not believed that the result will be changed.

The vote from the several precincts in detail as it was reported last night is as follows:

	WILLARD.	EMPIE.
1st Ward	204	182
2nd Ward	198	189
3rd Ward	266	158
4th Ward	224	147
5th Ward	226	326
Delgado	44	68
Harnett	—	—
Cape Fear	11	17
Masonboro	37	8
	1,210	1,095
Willard's majority		115

	STOKES.	WALTON.
1st Ward	301	68
2nd Ward	314	54
3rd Ward	330	81
4th Ward	223	118
5th Ward	186	340
Delgado	44	63
Harnett	—	—
Cape Fear	8	19
Masonboro	7	39
	1,413	762
Stokes' majority		651.

"THE CHRISTIAN" TO-NIGHT.

Dramatic Event of Social Interest is the Play to Be Presented To-night at the Opera House.

As a Lenten attraction there is nothing that could be more appropriate than the celebrated production of Hall Caine's dramatic version of "The Christian," which is the bill to-night. This play being one of America's greatest successes, and a company of great magnitude, numbering fifty people, all scenic embellishments, stage accessories and light effects carried by the company, under the sole direction of one of the leading theatrical managerial firms in this country, Messrs. Lieber & Co., who have controlled the celebrated play since the day of its first production at the Knickerbocker's Theatre, New York. It was only upon a guarantee, that "The Christian" could be induced to give Wilmington a date, in their tour North from the Pacific Coast, where its success has even outshadowed the Eastern triumph.

The play is not, in the ordinary sense, a dramatic version of "The Christian." The author has taken the two principal characters of the novel, as well as the motive of their relation to each other, and made an independent drama of new incidents and fresh surroundings—just as he might have taken two characters from history and constructed thereon a play which could otherwise have no claim to historical truth.

That charming actress and great Southern favorite, Miss Effie Ellsler, whose last appearance here in "Woman Against Woman" won all hearts, is accredited with the success of her career as *Glory Quayle*.

Reserved seats are selling rapidly at Mund's.

UNPLEASANT EXPERIENCE WITH AN UNRULY NEGRO.

Capt. Furlong Brought an Obstreperous Negro Drayman to Terms Yesterday at the Point of a Pistol.

Captain of Police Jno. J. Furlong had a tough experience with an unruly negro yesterday afternoon and it took several shots to bring him "to bag" and result in his arrest.

About 6.15 o'clock yesterday afternoon Capt. Furlong was standing at the voting precinct, corner of Eighth and Princess streets, and his attention was drawn to a drunken negro drayman, who was driving his horse at a breakneck speed and causing much confusion on Market street ann directly down Seventh from where the officer was standing. Capt. Furlong immediately set out to effect his capture, but the negro was driving at such a speed that he could not overtake him, and calling to a young man who was standing near with a bicycle, he instructed him to pursue the negro on his wheel, which he did, locating him at his home as Tom Lucas, who lives on Thirteenth street, between Princess and Market. The young man upon arriving at the house and making known his mission, was cursed violently by the negro, and he immediately rode back to Market street and reported to the captain, who was on his way in that direction.

Captain Furlong, upon learning the result of the investigation, summoned Mr. George Harriss to accompany him to the negro's house, and upon arriving there, Captain Furlong was fired upon three times by the negro, who commanded him not to enter the premises. Captain Furlong, upon this reception, advanced upon the negro, who ran, jumping over several fences with Capt. Furlong and Mr. Harriss in pursuit. They pursued him for some distance and it finally took three shots from the pistols of the pursuing party to bring him down. One of the balls entered the negro's breast; another went into his neck and a third grazed the head.

The negro was then arrested and brought to Eighth and Princess streets where he was placed in a carriage and brought down to headquarters. The wounds were examined by Dr. W. D. McMillan, the city physician, who expressed the opinion that they were not serious and had him sent to the City Hospital.

NEW Y. M. C. A. SECRETARY.

Woman's Auxiliary Planning to Give Him a Reception Monday Evening.

The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A., under whose auspices the reception will be given Monday night to the new general secretary, Mr. W. W. Turner, of Chattanooga, Tenn., is arranging to afford him a royal welcome. Mr. Turner is expected in the city some time this week, but the formal reception will not be given until the date named.

Mrs. A. J. Howell, Jr., who is president of the auxiliary, has announced the following committees for the occasion:

Reception Committee—Mrs. C. C. Covington (chairman), Mrs. A. D. McClure, Mrs. B. F. Hall, Mrs. M. S. Willard.

Refreshment Committee—Mrs. P. Pearsall, Mrs. R. W. Hicks, Mrs. W. J. Crosswell, Mrs. W. H. Howell, Miss Blanche Fentress.

Decoration Committee—Miss Clara Belle Woodward, (chairman), Mrs. H. H. Smith, Miss M. Smith, Mrs. J. J. Hopkins, Mrs. G. D. Bernheim, Miss Van Dyke, Miss Hancock.

Music Committee — Mrs. John Frank, Mrs. W. L. Latta.

It is hoped to have State Secretary A. G. Knebel present at the reception and Mr. W. L. Latta is corresponding with him with this end in view.

CHRISTIAN ENDEAVOR.

State Convention to Meet in Raleigh, N. C., April 26th.

The Christian Endeavor State Convention to be held in the Christian Church in Raleigh, April 26-29 will have an attractive programme. Rev. J. U. Newman, President of Elon College; Rev. C. H. Whitaker, of Burlington; Rev. H. E. Rondthaler, of Salem; Rev. M. A. Kelspy, of High Point; Rev. J. P. Rodgers, of Wilkesboro; Prof. S. M. Smith, of Kenly; Mr. E. H. Stockton, of Salem, and Rev. M. W. Butler, of Raleigh, are some of the speakers. Mr. William Shaw, of Boston, Treasurer of the United Society of Christian Endeavor, will be present also, and speak several times. He is a leader in the C. E. work and a speaker far above the average.

The programme will be ready for publication in a few days. Delegates should be elected at once.

MAMIE BAYS,
Chm. Press. Dept. and Trans. Mgr.
SALISBURY, N. C., March 26th, 1900.

Funeral Yesterday Afternoon.

The funeral of Miss Mary D. Yates was conducted yesterday afternoon at 3 o'clock from the residence of her mother on Campbell street in the presence of many friends and relatives of the family of the deceased. The services were by Rev. J. J. Payseur, pastor of Brooklyn Baptist Church, and the interment was at Oakdale cemetery, the pall bearers being Messrs. J. D. Mote, E. O. Allen, H. L. Peterson and J. H. Williams.

Approaching Marriage.

Mrs. Mary M. Bell, No. 313 Church street, has mailed handsome invitations to friends announcing the marriage of her daughter, Miss Kathryn Williams, to Mr. Charles H. O'Berry, a popular young business man of Wilmington and proprietor of the Carolina Bicycle Company. The ceremony will be performed on Friday evening, April 6th, at the home of the bride.

BRUNSWICK CONVENTION.

Will Meet at Lockwood's Folly To-day for Nomination of County Officers and for Choosing Delegates.

Much interest is being manifested in the city over the meeting of Brunswick County's Democratic Convention, which will be held to-day at Lockwood's Folly, twenty-eight miles from the city. The recent complications in the State Senatorship as between Messrs. Meares and Morton, who were candidates before the New Hanover county primaries, will in all probability find a solution in the meeting of the Brunswick Democrats to-day, as besides the nominations of their county officers, they will also appoint delegates to the Senatorial Convention for the Tenth District, which will meet here in a short time and upon the occasion of which both Mr. Morton and Mr. Meares hope to make their cause successful.

Mr. Meares with a party of his friends left yesterday afternoon to be in attendance upon the convention and last night Capt. Morton, with several who are interested in his cause, also left for the meeting. As there is no telegraphic or telephonic communication with Lockwood's Folly and as the distance from the city is great, it is probable that a result of the convention will not reach the city before to-morrow.

FIRE AT SPRINGHOPE.

Tobacco Stemmery Burned—Loss Estimated at $15,000—Small Insurance A Residence Damaged by Fire.

[*Special Star Correspondence.*]

SPRINGHOPE, N. C., March 26.

One of the largest fires occurred here Saturday at 5.15 P. M., that has been witnessed in a number of years. The tobacco stemmery run by Messrs. Chamberlain & Woodard, took fire in the dry room and was beyond control in a few minutes. While seventeen tierces of tobacco were rolled out and saved, the loss, estimated by Mr. Frank Chamberlain, is about $13,000, partially covered by insurance.

Mr. W. A. Carter also had about $300 worth of tobacco in the same building, with no insurance.

The building was insured for $2,000 and owned by the business men of Springhope. The building cannot be replaced for less than $3,500.

About half an hour before the stemmery took fire an alarm was given that Mr. Oliver May's residence was on fire. At least a hundred people rushed to the scene and put out the flames in a short while. This fire took place in a room occupied by Mr. Carver and family, a tobacconist. The fire burst through the floor, ceiling and a large hole in the weatherboarding. More damage was caused from carrying out furniture than from the fire.

NEWS FROM RALEIGH.

Opinions Handed Down by the Supreme Court of North Carolina.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

RALEIGH, N. C., March 27.—Opinions were handed down by the Supreme Court to-day as follows: Graves vs. Barrett, from Moore; affirmed. Muse vs. Caddell, from Moore; new trial. Little vs. Ratliff, from Anson; affirmed. State vs. Carter, from Robeson; no error. Ferrell vs. Broadway, from Lenoir; remanded. Lumber Co. vs. Hines, from Jones; reversed. Darden vs. Blount, from Greene; reversed. Cheek vs. Building and Loan Association, from Durham, two cases; decided in favor of plaintiff. Geer vs. Brown, from Orange; affirmed. Kennon vs. Telegraph Co., from Guilford; new trial. State vs. Green, from Durham; reversed. State vs. Higgs, from Wake; error. Strause vs. Insurance Co., from Pitt; affirmed. State vs. Davis, from Edgecombe; no error. The following cases were disposed of by per curiam order: Worth vs. Lancashire, from Cumberland; affirmed. McCaskill vs. Lancashire, from Cumberland; affirmed.

PORT CASWELL SEA WALL.

Secretary of War Asks an Appropriation for its Protection.

[*Special Star Telegram.*]

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 27.—The Secretary of War to-day submitted to Congress a second communication relative to the condition of the sea wall at Fort Caswell, N. C. He asks that an appropriation for the protection of the wall be made at once, as the storm tides have damaged the same greatly and if nothing is done the wall may become a total loss.

Representative Thomas returned to the Capitol this morning.

The Court of Claims to-day submitted findings of facts in the case of the estate of Jacob Uoggle, Cherokee county, N. C., for supplies seized by the Union army during the civil war, and recommended that Congress appropriate and pay to claimants $105.

At Opera House Friday Night.

The Cosmorama, which the choir of the First Baptist church will present at the Opera House next Friday night, under the direction of Mr. J. Henry Gerls, of Chicago, is said to be much more entertaining and attractive than the modest advertisements of the affair have suggested. Beside the business displays, which will be decidedly unique, there will be a horse shod by a young lady smithy; also, living pictures and statuary, with calcium lights. The world of trade and art will be presented in a manner to eclipse anything Wilmington has heretofore seen. Those in charge are leaving nothing undone to make it an unqualified success.

IMPORTANT HEARING

Before Standing Master Shepherd in the Railroad Tax Assessment Case.

PROMINENT ATTORNEYS HERE

Taking of Testimony Will Be Begun in the United States Court Room This Morning—Corporation Commission the Defendant.

In the United States' Court room this morning at 10 o'clock, hearing will be begun before ex-Justice James E. Shepherd, standing master of the U. S. Circuit Court of Equity, in the case of the Southern Railway, et al., vs. the North Carolina Corporation Commission, et al., involving the tax rate assessment before Judge Simonton.

The case in question involves not only the Southern but the A. C. L., and Seaboard Air Line railway system as well, all of whom seek to enjoin the Commission from assessing their property at the figures named for taxation. They base their claim upon the ground that all other property is assessed, as they claim, at from one-third to one-quarter less than its actual value, while the property of the railroad companies is placed at full valuation. It is said that if the Commission proves its contention it will add $10,000,000 to the assessed valuation of the property in the State.

Judge Shepherd will take the testimony of both sides and the hearings, of which the one here is first, will be held at several places in the State to suit the convenience of the witnesses. The railroads will have six months to enter their testimony; the commission six, and then another three weeks will be granted to the plaintiffs to introduce testimony in rebuttal of that of the defendant Corporation Commission, of which Hon. Franklin McNeill, of this city, is chairman.

Quite a large number of witnesses will be heard here, and there is an array of the best legal talent in the State on both sides. R. O. Burton, Esq., of Raleigh, and Major John D. Shaw, of Rockingham, are here to represent the railroads, and they will be assisted by George Rountree, Esq., of this city. Ex-Judge H. G. Connor, of Wilson, and Hon. James H. Pou, of Raleigh, are here to represent the Corporation Commission.

There will also be a hearing in a few days before Special Master E. S. Martin, involving the fertilizer freight rate fixed by the commission.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

New Millinery Parlor

Will open Thursday, March 22.

No. 120 Market street.

mar 18 1m MISS ANNIE STROUPE.

NEW YORK, MARCH 24, 1900.

Removal Notice.

Commencing Monday, April 2d, Clyde Line Steamers for Wilmington, N. C., and Georgetown, S. C., will occupy Pier 45, North River, north side Christopher St. Ferry, in conjunction with Clyde Line Steamers for Charleston, S. C. and Jacksonville, Fla.

WM. P. CLYDE & CO., General Agents.
THEO. G. EGER, T. M. mar 26 1w

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mar 23 tf Wilmington, N. C.

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Wednesday, March 28th.

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50 People on the Stage 50

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J. V. Grainger, Cashier.
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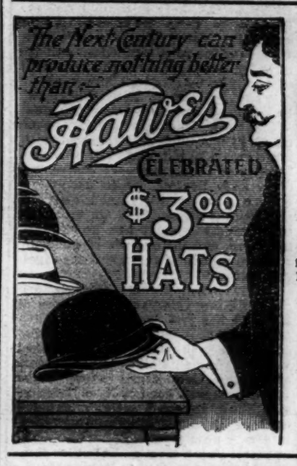

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In this Famous Hat. Novelties in Spring Shirts and Neckwear. we sell the best

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in Wilmington. Put your foot in a pair. Read my Ads for the Fads.

A. SHRIER, Men's Wear,

No. 34, corner Front and Princess. Bell 'Phone 565. mar 20 tf

I am prepared for the Spring Business.

Having just returned from the Northern markets, I wish to say to my patrons and the public generally, I have spared no pains in both labor and care in making an honest effort to select and purchase the most suitable goods for my trade. Our New Wash Goods in Percales Zephyrs, Ginghams and Outings have never been so handsome in finish and artistic in patterns as this season. To demonstrate this fact

I Ask a Visit

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A full line of Pulley Belts and Pulley Collars in all the leading shades, in both Silk and Satin. Our line of Sock Collars is both Piques and Chiffon are up to date. The very latest and handsomest line of Taffeta Silks and Foulards for Shirt Waists. The sales for Shirt Waists so far this season surpass all past records. Our line of White Goods, Dimities, &c., are complete and second to none.

On our 2nd Floor

You have a full line of the latest effects in Denims, Damask, Silkaline, Swiss, Point-de-Sprit, Scrim and Irish Point to select from, as well as Carpets, Matting and Art Squares. "In a Nutshell," I am fully equipped for the Easter trade. Agent for Her Majesty Corset, Dowager Corset, American Lady Corset, Butterick Patterns.

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Successor to Brown & Roddick,
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BY WILLIAM H. BERNARD.

WILMINGTON, N. C.

WEDNESDAY MORNING, MARCH 28.

A RUSE OF THE SUBSIDY BOOMERS.

The subsidy boomers are becoming so fearful of the defeat of their big steal, notwithstanding the patching they have done with their bill to make it less objectionable, that they are now resorting to the dodge of charging that the opposition to it is inspired by the owners of the foreign ships which have the greater part of the carrying trade, in fact nearly all of it, passenger and freight, from our ports across the seas. A sample of this kind of rot is presented in the following editorial from the Boston *Commercial Bulletin*:

"The subsidy bill has had and is still having a hard struggle for existance and its passage by Congress is still open to question because of the fierce assaults which have been made upon it by the press and interested capital throughout the country. The public at large, and it is small wonder that this should be so under the circumstances, has been coerced into the belief that the bill in some way is to further the interests of the astute Mr. Hanna and his friends, commonly summed up by the yellow journals as the Trust Octopus, to the detriment of the common American citizens and to the increase of the latter's burden of taxation.

"The real opposition to the bill comes from a quarter which the great American public has failed to consider up to within a short time, that is the foreign shipping interests, English, German and French, which now control the trans-oceanic transportation business, a portion of which this bill designs to turn into the hands of American shipowners and ship builders

"It has recently been estimated that $200,000,000 is annually paid to aliens for carrying passengers and freight to and from the United States. The money so paid out of American pockets is applied to the construction of more foreign ships in foreign shipyards by foreign workmen. The defeat of the present subsidy bill means that American shipowners, shipbuilders and workingmen will not be allowed to compete with foreigners for a portion of a business that by rights should be carried on wholly under the flag of the United States.

"One of the results of having our commerce come and go in alien bottoms has been pretty well illustrated during the course of the Boer war, the withdrawals of vessels from the local freight service having crippled the commerce of this port decidedly, raised the freight rates, curtailed the exports and imports, destroyed a growing passenger business, and mixed the situation up generally.

"The Germans have built up a remarkable merchant marine since 1888 through judicious subsidy laws, and we showed last week what had been accomplished in Italy, along the same line, during the last three years.

"It is estimated that about 8 per cent. of the world's shipping now flies the German flag. From 1873 to 1894 the capacity of the German merchant marine increased by 139 per cent., and a further increase of 33 per cent. took place between 1894 and 1899.

"Since the law of 1896 the tonnage of vessels launched in Italy is 61,149 tons, that of vessels in course of construction is 146,226 tons, and it is intended to build additional ships to the extent of 61,360 tons. When the policy was inaugurated the state of the Italian mercantile marine had fallen to a very low ebb. The effect of the law was distinctly beneficial, substituting steamships for sailing vessels and increasing the fleet from 200,000 to 400,000 tons.

"The future of American shipping depends upon the ability of the foreign element, which now has control of 92 per cent. of our commerce, to influence adverse legislation on the subsidy bill now before Congress, and unless the people at large realize the situation and strengthen the hands of their representatives in Congress, such defeat seems not only possible but probable."

The countries herein mentioned and some other European countries, pay subsidies, for which they require an equivalent in carrying the mails and other service, but all the European countries together do not pay as much as the American people are asked to pay each year for twenty years to the men who build costly ships, for the ships of the ordinary kind, such as do most of the ocean freight carrying, would get but a very small part of the proposed subsidies. There is another reason and the main one for the increase in the merchant marine of some of those European countries and this is that men desiring to engage in the ocean-carrying business have the privilege of buying their ships in other countries if they prefer that to having them built in their own country, and then they can sail them under their own flag.

If it is a merchant marine the subsidy boomers are after, and not a scheme to put money into their coffers, to get the tax-payers of this country to pay for the ships they build and then help pay the expenses of running them, why don't they advocate the repeal or modification of the handicapping laws and putting American enterprise and capital on the same footing with European enterprise and capital, which have the privilege of buying their ships where they can buy to the best advantage, whether their governments pay subsidies or not? If they were as anxious to have a merchant marine owned by Americans as they are to pocket annually the $9,000,000 provided for in the Hanna-Payne bill, that's what they would do, but that is what they will not do and have no notion of doing. It is not ships they are after but the millions to be distributed among them if that great steal goes through.

Is it to foster ship building that this scheme was concocted? If so where is the need of spending $9,000,000 or a less sum per year to encourage an industry that is now growing rapidly without any government pap, and already has more work than it can do, necessitating the establishment of more ship yards and the enlargement of some of those now in operation? As a proof of this we clip the following from the same issue of the *Commercial Bulletin* from which we clipped the editorial given above:

"Advices from shipbuilding points in New England and further South along the coast as well as from the Great Lakes indicate a marked revival in shipbuilding for the domestic and coastwise trade. This is accounted for mainly under the ordinary law of supply and demand. American shipbuilding interests had been very quiet generally for a long time. Meanwhile the number of vessels in commission has been seriously diminished by disasters, the most severe losses being those in the gales in the latter part of 1898.

"The continued improvement in general business has thus found shipowners to be deficient in tonnage to a large degree. Orders for the construction of vessels were placed at different times last year, when it was found that freights were likely to be on a very remunerative basis for a long time to come. The Maine shipyards have been very busy for quite a time past and are now beginning to show the results of this activity by frequent launchings.

"The builders in Bath, Rockland, Kennebunkport, Thomaston, Camden, Waldoboro, Bucksport and other places in that State are occupied with large orders ahead, and with the probability of a long and very active season. East Boston, which used to be quite a locality for shipbuilding, is also feeling the revival. Quite a number of coastwise craft are now building there, and the outlook is good for a continuance and enlargement of such enterprises.

"At Groton, Conn., the Eastern Shipbuilding Company, capitalized at $500,000, has just leased the property of the Consolidated Road, and will construct a shipyard for large steel vessels immediately. Other points along the Connecticut shore from Pawcatuck westward to New London also show renewed activity and the opening up of new shipbuilding enterprises. A new yard will soon be opened at Pistol Point, Mystic. Another company is being formed to revive the industry at Oldfield, West Mystic, on the other side of the river. New London is also mentioned as the locality for a large new enterprise of this kind. Another shipyard for Richmond, Va., is likewise reported.

"At Newport News, Va., two steamships are building for the Cromwell line, while the Cramps, Philadelphia, are constructing three for the Ward line. The first of three new ships for the Mallory line has been contracted for at Wilmington, Del. Among the projects on the Pacific Coast it is announced that at Portland, Oregon, two coastwise passenger steamers are to be constructed. On the Great Lakes there is an immense shipbuilding boom, the value of steel vessels building there to day being placed at $9,000,000, against a little over $3,000,000 a year ago.

"Nearly all of these great steamships of 6500 or more tons each are building for the three or four great steel-making interests that control mines in the Lake Superior region, and are designed primarily for the transportation of iron ore down the lakes, though they will be frequently used in the carrying of grain and coal. While most of these lake vessels are for freight exclusively, some for passenger traffic are also being constructed.

"The character and type of the vessels now building in the different sections of the United States mentioned are various. Along the Maine coast, outside of Bath, the construction now is mainly of wooden sailing vessels. These are of a great range in capacity, but the tendency is to an increase of size. Several six-masters are now being built, and a seven-master has been hinted at as a possibility of the not very remote future. In Connecticut there are yards adapted to both steel and wooden constructions, but the latest projects look to the building of steel vessels of the largest type. On the Lakes, as has been stated, the great shipbuilding operations are in steel, with steam as the motive power.

"Allusion in this article has already been made to the present and prospective good vessel freight rates, owing to the excellent condition of the general industrial interests of the United States. Coal freights to Boston, for instance, were this Winter as high as $2 a ton, with demurrage charges adding a great deal to this in many cases. While freights are now lower, it is expected that coasting vessel freighting business will be profitable for at least a year or two. As to the Pacific coast, it is stated that not for thirteen years have freight rates for wheat ships been so high as now out of San Francisco.

"A notable feature on the Atlantic coast at present is the absence of the 'tramp' steamer which used to invade the freight carrying business to the disadvantage of American vessels. This class of vessels, at least for the time being, seems to have found occupation in other waters on account of war conditions or does not find it profitable to come here owing to the high price of coal."

Our ship yards are all as busy as they can be, so there is no need of subsidies to help them, and therefore the object in subsidies must be, if they are honest, to stimulate plants to build ocean ships and stimulate men to have ocean ships built. But wouldn't it accomplish the object as well, if it is ships that is wanted, to allow Americans to buy ships where they please, sail them under their own flag, thus create a demand for ocean ships, and by creating a demand for them stimulate capital to build ship yards enough, in addition to what we have, to supply the demand for such ships?

It will not do to repeat the rot that vessels cannot be built in this country as cheaply as they can in other countries, for if there be a demand for ocean going vessels sufficient to tempt capital to engage in building them American skill and genius will soon demonstrate that they can hold their own against European rivals in building ships, as they have held their own against and led their competitors in building locomotives. Quit pampering and let American enterprise and pluck depend upon themselves, but give them a fair chance by removing the handicapping laws.

BAREFACED FALSEHOOD.

Secretary Long, of the Navy, recently visited Boston and while there made a speech pleading for support to the administration in its policy of expansion. It was in some respects a remarkable speech, especially in its utter disregard of the truth, blended with some statements of fact which he doubtless made very reluctantly and which he would not have made if he did not consider it a matter of necessity.

One of these statements was the blunt declaration that "it is no use to deny that the opposition is strong, and has grown stronger." Are the American people simply so naturally perverse that this opposition which was strong has grown stronger, without any good reason? It has grown stronger as the advocates of expansion have thrown off the mask and shown themselves as they really are, after having indulged in their hyprocisy and falsehood so long. They pretended one thing while aiming at another, played this game until they concluded it was too late to change it, and then threw off the mask and declared their true purposes. This was a sample of the truth he uttered, and this of the barefaced falsehood:

"The Philippine islands are ours by the solemn compact of a treaty. They are ours, too, by the acquiescence of the native inhabitants. We are there by right and we are bound to stay by every duty. We, therefore, ask our critics not to spin theories of what might have been done, but to co-operate with us and help us to share our duty and discharge it. If they hope to bring in Mr. Bryan on the cry of anti-imperialism, it would no more let the Philippines go than it would a part of the collectorship of a custom-house. Once in power, the Democrats would immediately say that wicked Republicans had fastened these islands upon the country, and the only thing to do is to make the best of them."

There is a bunch of falsehoods in this, brief as it is. The Philippines are *not* ours by solemn compact of treaty, for Spain had forfeited her right to cede that territory to us for a money or any other consideration, and we had no right to make any bargain as to the transfer of sovereignty without the co-operation and assent of the Filipinos, who had been our allies and were the most interested in these proceedings.

They are *not* "ours by the acquiescence of the native inhabitants," who have for nearly two years given the lie to this statement by disputing it with arms and are still disputing it although we have an army of 60,000 men there to assert our supremacy.

It is *not* true that the Democrats, if in power, would hold the islands, for every Democratic Convention that has met since this policy of holding the Philippines by force has been proclaimed, has denounced it and pledged the party to keep our solemn promises, to give these people government by themselves with independence and a protectorate if necessary to maintian that independence.

Mr. Long's speech is simply characteristic of the speeches by the average expansionist, characteristic in its utter disregard of facts and of the truth.

A SIGNIFICANT OBJECTION.

When Senator Allen in the Senate, Monday, offered a resolution calling for information from the War Department as to the casualties in the Philippine war, Senator Gallinger objected on the ground that such information "would discourage enlistments." This was a most remarkable and significant objection. As there have been various and conflicting statements as to the casualties in the Philippines, the object of Senator Allen's resolution was to get the truth from official sources, figures that might be considered authentic and reliable, but Senator Gallinger objects to having such information given to the Senate on the ground that it "would discourage enlistments."

This is practically a confession that if the American people knew the truth it would decrease enlistments, that deceit is being practiced to secure enlistments, that the true situation is hidden from the men who are asked to enlist, and that although we now have an army of 60,000 men in the Philippines it will be necessary to call for more although we have been repeatedly assured by General Otis and by the war managers at Washington that the "insurrection" has been several times crushed. What an admission to be made by a friend of the Administration on the floor of the Senate.

Mr. Gallinger did not succeed in squashing the resolution but did succeed in having it referred to the Committee on Military Affairs so that it could be phrased to suit it and let it send in such information as it saw fit.

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Victims to stomach, liver and kidney troubles as well as women, and all feel the results in loss of appetite, poisons in the blood, backache, nervousness headache and tired, listless, run-down feeling. But there's no need to feel like that. Listen to J. W. Gardner, Idaville, Ind. He says: "Electric Bitters are just the thing for a man when he is all run down, and don't care whether he lives or dies. It did more to give me new strength and good appetite than anything I could take. I can now eat anything and have a new lease on life." Only 50 cents, at R. R. BELLAMY's drug store. Every bottle guaranteed. †

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— Lexington *Dispatch*: Mrs. B. L. Ford, of Lexington, owns a quilt made by her great grand mother that contains 8,564 square pieces. Mrs. Ford has owned the quilt for 35 years, and her grand mother was 70 years old when she made the quilt.

— Maxton *Herald*: McKay Sellers, one of our oldest and most highly esteemed citizens, died at the home of his nephew, Mr. J. B. Sellers, about three miles East of Maxton, on Friday last, March 16, aged 75 years. He had been in bad health about 12 months, but had not been confined to the house but two weeks prior to his death.

— Stanly *Enterprise*: A crowd of our young citizens waited on the two Mormon elders who struck our county some two weeks ago and let them understand that we do not need Mormonism in this county and that the best thing they could do would be to leave at once. The Mormons perceived that the boys meant all they said, and made a promise last Friday if they would be allowed to get away then and there, they would go never to return.

— Raleigh *News and Observer*: About 4.30 o'clock Saturday evening the stemmery at Spring Hope caught on fire. This building is two stories, 50 by 150 feet, and was owned by a company of business people of the town. It cost about $3,000 and was insured for $2,000. It was occupied by the Woodard Tobacco Company, F. H. Chamberlain manager, and contained about $14,000 worth of tobacco. There was about $12,000 insurance on the stock; nothing on the fixtures.

— Goldsboro *Argus*: While adjusting a belt at the Wayne Cotton Mill Monday afternoon, Mr. Wm. F. Wade, foreman of the carding department, was caught in the shafting and almost instantly killed, being terribly broken up. —— A fire, the origin of which is thought to be incendiary, destroyed the fine new brick machine of Major H. L. Grant and other machinery at his brick making plant near this city, about 2 o'clock Sunday morning, entailing a loss of several thousand dollars, with only $1,500 insurance.

— Fayetteville *Observer*: News comes from the western part of the county that Robert H. Taylor, who was a member of Company A. Second N. C. Volunteers, during the war with Spain, was killed by a boiler explosion at a saw mill last week. —— Fire Sunday morning totally destroyed the distillery building of the Australis Manufacturing Company, whose plant is situated on the old Electric Light Co's. site on Church street. The power house, containing the electric plant, and the other buildings, containing supplies, etc., were saved by the hard work of the fire department.

CURRENT COMMENT.

—— There is some question whether or not trade and Constitution follow the flag in our new possessions. There is none, however, about saloons and funerals following it thick and fast.—*Charleston News and Courier, Dem.*

—— In addition to a $1,500 private secretary each United States Senator will now be entitled to a $1,440 messenger. The American House of Lords has so declared, and a great many citizens will interpet this as a conclusive reason why Senators should be elected by the people instead of by Legislatures.—*Baltimore Herald, Dem.*

—— American seacoast fortifications have already cost nearly $47,000,000, and nearly $70,000,000 more will be required to carry out the plan recommended by the Endicott Board, which has been accepted as a sound basis of national coast defense. Within ten years, at the current rate of progress, our great ports and naval stations will have been rendered practically invulnerable to hostile assault.—*Philadelphia Record, Dem.*

—— Sentiment is not always a sufficient guide for statesmanship, but a wise statement will not ignore it. It is a just sentiment, he will not needlessly run counter to it. Just now the sentiment of this country is unquestionably opposed to the imposition of tariff duties or any trade restrictions on Puerto Rico. Instead of growing weaker, this sentiment grows stronger. It may or may not be reasonable, but there is no conceivable reason that will justify the majority in Congress in antagonizing it.—*Philadelphia Times, Ind.*

TWINKLINGS.

— "Miss Bunk says she feels as free as a bird in her rainy-day skirt." "Well, she looks like a jay."—*Chicago Record.*

— Iceman's Philosophy—"You can't make water run up hill." "No; but you can freeze it and haul it up."—*Chicago Record.*

— "Crossed in love!" exclaimed Leander, as he looked back at the Hellespont, shook the water from his hair and made a bee line for Hero."—*Chicago Tribune.*

— "Have you got your volume of poems finished?" "Yes" "What are you going to do with it?" "I am going to hire some Boston author to stand for it."

— "By the way, what did old Dunngone die of?" "I ain't sure, whether it was a complication of diseases or a complication of doctors."—*Indianapolis Press.*

— Good Authority: "They say that every gambling and disreputable house in the district is open." "I don't believe it." "Well, I had it from the police captain himself."—*Life.*

— "If ignorance is bliss," he said, and paused. "Well?" she remarked, inquiringly. "Oh, nothing, nothing," he returned. "I was merely thinking how contented and happy you look."

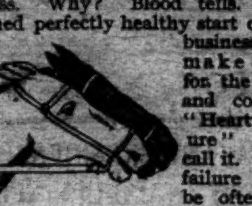
— Harduppe — "You advertise that you buy books. What'll you give me for this one?" Dealer—"We don't want anything less than a whole library." "Well, this is my whole library."—*Tit-Bits.*

— "I am proud to say that I did not spend a dollar to secure my election." "I congratulate you," answered Senator Sorghum. "You got off cheap—but you took a terrible risk."—*Washington Star.*

— "What did the minister do when you inadvertently dropped the buckshot in the plate?" asked one Kentuckian. "He was very much annoyed," said the other. "He looked at me severely and said that this was a church collection, not a campaign contribution."—*Washington Star.*

Out of sympathy for his fellow citizens Mr. Czajkovski, of Chicago, has had his named changed to Taylor, which the average Chicago person can pronounce without going into spasms.

"Blood tells." But we rarely recognize the fact except in times of stress and strain. A horse which looks like a "scrub" may beat another horse which seems the ideal of a racer, just by that one quality of good blood. Similarly men, who seem in the pink of condition drop down under the racing strain of business. Why? Blood tells. Men reckoned perfectly healthy start out for business, they make a run for the train, and collapse. "Heart failure" they call it. Blood failure would be often the better name.



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WESTERN SMOKED—		
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Sides ℔ ℔		@ 8
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@ 8
DRY SALTED—		
Sides ℔ ℔	6½	@ 6¾
Shoulders ℔ ℔		@ 6
BARRELS—Spirits Turpentine—		
Second-hand, each		@ 1 40
New New York, each	1 40	@ 1 50
New City, each	1 40	@ 1 50
BEESWAX ℔ ℔		@ 24
BRICKS—		
Wilmington ℔ M	6 75	@ 7 00
Northern	9 00	@ 14 00
BUTTER—		
North Carolina ℔ ℔	18	@ 20
Northern	25	@ 30
CORN MEAL—		
Per bushel, in sacks	51	@ 52
Virginia Meal	51	@ 52
COTTON TIES—℔ bundle	1 25	@ 1 35
CANDLES—℔ ℔—		
Sperm	18	@ 25
Adamantine	8	@ 11
CHEESE—℔ ℔—		
Northern Factory	12	@ 13
Dairy Cream	13½	@ 14
State	11½	@ 13
COFFEE—℔ ℔—		
Laguyra	13	@ 16
Rio	9½	@ 11
DOMESTICS—		
Sheeting, 4-4, ℔ yard		@ 5¾
Yarns, ℔ bunch of 5 ℔s		@ 70
EGGS—℔ dozen	10	@ 11
FISH—		
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ barrel	22 00	@ 30 00
Mackerel, No. 1, ℔ half-bbl	11 00	@ 15 00
Mackerel, No. 2, ℔ barrel	16 00	@ 18 00
Mackerel, No. 2 ℔ half-bbl	8 00	@ 9 00
Mackerel, No. 3, ℔ barrel	13 00	@ 14 00
Mullets, ℔ barrel	3 75	@ 4 00
Mullets, ℔ pork barrel		@ 3 50
N. C. Roe Herring, ℔ keg	3 00	@ 3 25
Dry Cod, ℔	5	@ 10
" Extra	4 35	@ 4 50
FLOUR—℔ ℔—		
Low grade		@ 3 00
Choice		@ 3 50
Straight	3 85	@ 4 00
First Patent	4 25	@ 4 50
GLUE—℔ ℔	10½	@ 11½
GRAIN—℔ bushel—		
Corn, from store, bgs—White		@ 55
Car-load, in bgs—White	53	@ 53½
Oats, from store	38	@ 40
Oats, Rust Proof		@ 45
Cow Peas	80	@ 90
HIDES—℔ ℔—		
Green salted		@ 6½
Dry flint	10	@ 12½
Dry salt		@ 10
HAY ℔ 100 ℔s		
Clover Hay	80	@ 90
Rice Straw	40	@ 50
Eastern	90	@ 1 00
Western	90	@ 1 00
North River	80	@ 85
HOOP IRON, ℔ ℔	3½	@ 3¾
LARD, ℔ ℔—		
Northern	7	@ 8½
North Carolina	8	@ 10
LIME, ℔ barrel	1 15	@ 1 25
LUMBER (city sawed) ℔ M ft—		
Ship Stuff, resawed	18 00	@ 20 00
Rough edge Plank	15 00	@ 16 00
West India cargoes, according to quality	13 00	@ 18 00
Dressed Flooring, seasoned	18 00	@ 22 00
Scantling and Board, com'n	14 00	@ 15 00
Common mill	5 00	@ 6 50
Fair mill	6 50	@ 8 00
Prime mill	8 50	@ 10 00
Extra mill	10 00	@ 10 50
MOLASSES ℔ gallon—		
Barbadoes, in hogshead		@ 25
Barbadoes, in barrels		@ 28
Porto Rico, in hogsheads	28	@ 30
Porto Rico, in barrels	28	@ 32½
Sugar House, in hogsheads	12	@ 14
Sugar House, in barrels	14	@ 15
Syrup, in barrels	15	@ 25
NAILS, ℔ keg, Cut, 60d basis	2 95	@ 3 00
PORK, ℔ barrel—		
City Mess	11 75	@ 12 00
Rump	11 50	@ 12 00
Prime	11 00	@ 11 50
ROPE, ℔ ℔	10	@ 22
SALT, ℔ sack, Alum		@ 1 25
Liverpool	90	@ 95
American	85	@ 90
On 125 ℔ Sacks		@ 60
SHINGLES, 7-inch, per M	5 00	@ 6 50
Common	1 50	@ 2 25
Cypress Saps	2 50	@ 2 75
SUGAR, ℔ ℔—Standard Gran'd		@ 5¾
Standard A		@ 5⅝
White Extra C		@ 4¾
Extra C, Golden		@ 4¾
C, Yellow		@ 4½
SOAP, ℔ ℔—Northern	3¾	@ 4
STAVES, ℔ M—W. O. barrel	6 00	@ 14 00
R. O. Hogshead		@ 10 00
TIMBER, ℔ M feet—Shipping	9 00	@ 10 00
SHINGLES, N.C. Cypress sawed		
℔ M 6x24 heart	7 50	@ 8 50
" Sap	5 00	@ 6 00
5x20 Heart	3 00	@ 3 50
" Sap	2 00	@ 2 50
6x24 Heart	6 00	@ 6 50
" Sap	5 00	@ 5 50
TALLOW, ℔ ℔		@ 6
WHISKEY, ℔ gallon, Northern	1 00	@ 2 00
North Carolina	1 00	@ 1 60
WOOL, per ℔—Unwashed	14	@ 15
Mill, Prime	7 50	@ 8 75
Mill, Fair	6 50	@ 7 00
Common Mill	5 00	@ 6 00
Inferior to ordinary	3 50	@ 5 00

Paved With Human Skulls.

At Gwandu, in Africa, which contains between 10,000 and 15,000 inhabitants, the town, which is oval in shape, is surrounded by a palisade of tree poles, the top of every pole being crowned with a human skull. There are six gates, and the approach to each gate is laid with a pavement of human skulls, the tops being the only parts that show above ground. More than 2,000 skulls are used in the pavement leading up to each gate. The pavement is of snowy whiteness and polished to the smoothness of ivory by the daily passage of hundreds of naked feet.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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Did you ever look over a book on human ailments that you could not make one of them at least fit your case, even though you thought you were quite well when you began reading?—Philadelphia Times.

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COMMERCIAL.

WILMINGTON MARKET.

STAR OFFICE, March 27.

SPIRITS TURPENTINE—Market firm at 52 cents per gallon for machine made casks and 51½ cents per gallon for country casks.

ROSIN—Nothing doing.

TAR—Market steady at $1.20 per bbl of 280 lbs.

CRUDE TURPENTINE.—Nothing doing.

Quotations same day last year.—spirits turpentine, nothing doing; rosin firm at 95c@$1.00; tar steady at $1 00; crude turpentine steady at $1.35 @2.40.

RECEIPTS.

Spirits turpentine	7
Rosin	107
Tar	565
Crude turpentine	00

Receipts same day last year.—54 cask spirits turpentine, 394 bbls rosin, 483 bbls tar, 16 bbls crude turpentine.

COTTON.

Market firm on a basis of 9⅛c per pound for middling. Quotations:

Ordinary	7 1-16	cts. ℔ ℔
Good ordinary	8 7-16	" "
Low middling	9 1-16	" "
Middling	9½	" "
Good middling	9⅝	" "

Same day last year middling firm at 6c.

Receipts—396 bales; same day last year, 23.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

PEANUTS — North Carolina — Prime, 70 cents; extra prime, 75 cts. per bushel of 28 pounds; fancy, 77½@80c. Virginia—Prime, 50c; extra prime, 55c; fancy, 60c.

CORN—Firm; 53 to 53½ cents per bushel for white.

ROUGH RICE—Lowland (tidewater) 85 cents; upland 50@60c. Quotations on a basis of 45 pounds to the bushel.

N. C. BACON—steady; hams 10 to 11c per pound; shoulders, 7 to 8c; sides, 7 to 8c.

SHINGLES—Per thousand, five inch, hearts and saps, $2.25 to $3.25; six inch, $4.00 to 5.00; seven inch, $5.50 to 6.50.

TIMBER—Market steady at $3.50 to $9.00 per M.

LOCAL SECURITIES.

Quotations on local securities, furnished and regularly corrected by Hugh MacRae & Co.:

STOCKS.	BID.	ASKED.
A. C. L. of Conn., 5 per ct. Certs	110	112½
A. C. L. of Conn., stock	158	...
A. C. L. of S. C.	123	...
Wilmington & Weldon	183	...
W. & W. 7 per ct Certs	139	...
N. C. R. R.	157	160
Wilmington Compress Co.	...	10
Delgado Mills	109½	110
Wilmington Cotton Mills, pfd	110	115
Wilmington Gas Light Co.	70	74
Carolina Insurance Co.	107½	...
Underwriters' Insurance Co.	...	107½
National Bank of Wilmington	113	115
Atlantic National Bank	209	...
Murchison National Bank	112	...
Wil. Savings & Trust Co.	215	...
Wachovia Loan & Trust Co.	...	...
Bank of Laurinburg	...	...
Henrietta Mills	200	225
Blue Ridge National Bank	110	113
BONDS.		
N. C. 4's	106	108
N. C. 6's	...	140
City Wilm. con. 5's, gold, 1922	112	115
City Wilm. con. 5's, cur	100	...
City Wilm. 5's 1919	100	...
City Wilm. 6's	101	105
Masonic Temple 1st 6's	105	...
Masonic Temple 2d 6's	...	100
Wilmington Compress Co.'s 8's	85	...
Wilmington & Weldon 5's	116	...
A. C. L. 4 s	100	...
N. H. County 5's, gold, 1907	...	105½
City of Wilmington 4's, 1929	102	102½

FINANCIAL MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Money on call easier; actual transactions were at 2@4 per cent., last loan at 3. Prime mercantile paper 4½@5½ per cent. Sterling exchange firm, with actual business in bankers' bills at 485¾ for demand and 482¾@482½ for sixty days. Posted rates 483@483½ and 486½@487. Commercial bills 481½ @482. Silver certificates 60½@61½. Bar silver 59⅜. Mexican dollars 47¾. Government bonds irregular. State bonds inactive. Railroad bonds were strong. U. S. refunding 2's (when issued) 104½; U. S. 2's, reg'd, 101; U. S. 3's, reg'd, 110½; do. coupon, 110½; U. S. new 4's, reg'd, 134½; do. coupon, 134½; U. S. old 4's, reg'd, 115½; do. coupon, 116½; U. S. 5's, reg'd, 114½; do. coupon, 114½; N. C. 6's 127½; do. 4's, 106; Southern R'y 5's 112½. Stocks: Baltimore & Ohio 81; Chesapeake & Ohio 31½; Manhattan L 95⅜; New York Central 138; Reading 19⅜; do. 1st prefer'd 64¾; St. Paul 124; do. preferred 172; Southern Railway 15⅛; do. pref'd 60¼; American Tobacco, 107½; do. preferred 138; People's Gas 98¼; Sugar 108¼; do. preferred 111; T. C. & Iron 93½; U. S. Leather 13⅞; do. preferred 73½; Western Union 83.

NAVAL STORES MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Rosin was steady. Spirits turpentine quiet.

CHARLESTON, March 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 51½c; sales — casks. Rosin firm; sales — barrels.

SAVANNAH, March 27.—Spirits turpentine firm at 53c; sales 212 casks; receipts 410 casks; exports 356 casks. Rosin unchanged; pales quiet; other grades firm; sales 1,994 barrels; receipts 2,217 barrels; exports 6,862 barrels.

COTTON MARKETS.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—The cotton market opened quiet and firm, unchanged, to three points higher, with shorts the best buyers. Except for some Wall street and Liverpool buying early in the season, the demand from this class of traders was the feature of the business. General speculation, however, improved a little. Following the opening call the market continued to rally, but the improvement was slow until the afternoon when the Summer months became comparatively active and led the way to higher prices for the general list. At best the advance was a matter of seven to fifteen points. Speculation was not at all aggressive, many traders being intimidated by fears of manipulation, invited by the statistical position. There was considerable buying at times for Liverpool and Wall street account, the latter partly owing to backward preparations for planting on account of unpropitious weather. News in general was so conflicting that the market had no decided trend. The close was steady at a net advance of six to fifteen points.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Cotton steady; middling uplands 9⅞c.

Cotton futures closed steady: March 9.44, April 9.43, May 9.44, June 9.36, July 9.35, August 9.25, September 8.47, October 8.23, November 8.09, December 8.08, January 8.09, February 8.12.

Spot cotton closed steady; middling uplands 9⅞c; middling gulf 10⅛c; sales 300 bales.

Net receipts 396 bales; gross receipts 4,840 bales; exports to Great Britain 890 bales; exports to the Continent 1,121 bales; stock 136,983 bales.

Total to-day—Net receipts 13,694 bales; exports to Great Britain 8,571 bales; exports to France 3,475 bales; exports to the Continent 1,631 bales; stock 791,997 bales.

Consolidated—Net receipts 42,411 bales; exports to Great Britain 21,562 bales; exports to France 13,564 bales; exports to the Continent 23,577 bales.

Total since September 1st.—Net receipts 5,885,900 bales; exports to Great Britain 1,828,512 bales; exports to France 632,279 bales; exports to the Continent 2,046,222 bales.

March 27.—Galveston, dull at 9⅝c, net receipts 1,020 bales; Norfolk, nominal at 9⅛c, net receipts 368 bales; Baltimore, nominal at 9 15-16c, net receipts — bales; Boston, steady at 9⅞, net receipts 1,175 bales; Wilmington, firm at 9⅛c, net receipts 396 bales; Philadelphia, firm at 10⅛, net receipts 369 bales; Savannah, quiet at 9½c, net receipts 3,473 bales; New Orleans, steady at 9⅝, net receipts 5,481 bales; Mobile, nominal at 9½c, net receipts 282 bales; Memphis, steady at 9 7-16c, net receipts 190 bales; Augusta, quiet at 9⅝, net receipts 506 bales; Charleston, quiet at 9½, net receipts 834 bales.

PRODUCE MARKETS

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Flour was quiet but steady, with a fair business possible in spring patents if buyers could get a flat rate of $3 75 on round lots. Wheat—Spot steady; No. 2 red 76c; options opened steady with corn, but later declined in response to favorable weather news, easier French cables and short selling. This was succeeded in turn by an afternoon rally on covering and renewed export demand, the market closing steady at ½c net advance: March closed 76½c; May closed 73½c; July closed 72½c. Corn—Spot easy; No. 2 44½c; options opened firm and for a time advanced on strong cables and reported light country offerings. Through subsequent realizing, however, prices eased off and closed about steady at unchanged prices; May closed 43⅛c; July closed 43⅝c. Oats—Spot steady; No. 2, 28½c; options were narrow and featureless all day, closing unchanged; May closed 28½c. Lard steady: Western steam $6 60; refined steady. Pork firm. Butter steady; Western creamery 21@25c; State dairy 19@24c. Eggs barely steady; Southern 11½@12½ at mark; Western 12½c at mark. Potatoes—Market steady; New Jersey $1 25 @1 75; New York $1 50@2 00; Long Island $1 50@2 00; New Jersey sweets $2 25@2 75. Rice steady. Petroleum steady. Cheese barely steady; fancy large white 13c; fancy large colored 13 @13½c; fancy small white 13@13½c; fancy small colored 13½@13⅜c. Cabbage quiet; Long Island $4 00@6 00 per 100. Freights to Liverpool quiet. Cotton seed oil was a trifle steadier but quiet. Traders bid 36½c for April prime summer yellow and it was offered at 36½c in small lots. Prime crude, in barrels, 33c; prime summer yellow 36½c bid; off summer yellow nominal; butter grades 37@39c; prime winter yellow 39c; prime white 38@39c; prime meal $26 50@$27 00. Coffee—Spot Rio steady; No. 7 invoice 8; No. 7 jobbing 8⅛; mild quiet but steady; Cordova 9½@14c. Sugar—Raw firm; fair refining 3 5-16c bid; centrifugal 96 test 4 7-16c bid; molasses sugar 3¾c bid.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Wheat was firm to day, helped by smaller receipts and the visible decrease, May closing ⅛c. over yesterday. May corn closed ⅛c. down and May oats ⅛c. improved. Provisions wer active and firm; closing 2½@10c. higher.

CHICAGO, March 27.—Cash quotations: Flour steady. Wheat—No. 2 spring —; No. 3 do. 63@64½; No. 2 red 67½@68½c. Corn—No. 2, 37½@37⅝c. Oats—No. 2 24½@25½c; No. 2 white 26½@27½c; No. 3 white 26½@26⅞c. Pork, per barrel, $11 40@12 05. Lard, per 100 lbs, $6 25@6 30. Short rib sides, loose, $6 40@6 50 Dry salted shoulders, $6 25 @6 50. Short clear sides, boxed, $6 60 @6 70. Whiskey—Distillers' finished goods, per gallon, $1 25.

The leading futures ranged as follows—opening, highest, lowest and closing: Wheat—No. 2 March —, 65½, 65½, 65½, 65½c; May 65⅝@65½, 66, 65⅝, 65⅝c; July 66½@66⅝, 67, 66½, 66⅞c. Corn—No. 2 March —, —, —, 36½@36⅝c; May 38½@38⅝, 38⅝, 37⅞@38, 38@38½c; July 38½@38⅝, 38½, 38½@38⅝, 38½c; September 39@39¼, 39@39¼, 38⅞@39, 39@39½c. Oats—May 24½, 24½, 24½, 24½; July 23⅞, 23⅞, 23½@23½, 23½@23⅝. Pork, per bbl—May $11 97½, 12 07½, 11 97½, 12 02½; July $11 80, 11 85, 11 72½, 11 80. Lard, per 100 lbs—May $6 27½, 6 30, 6 27½, 6 27½; July $6 37½, 6 40, 6 35, 6 37½. Short ribs, per 100 lbs—May $6 45, 6 47½, 6 42½, 6 45; July $6 42½, 6 47½, 6 42½, 6 42½.

BALTIMORE, March 27.—Flour quiet, steady and unchanged. Wheat dull and easy—Spot and month 72½@72½c; May 72½@72½c; Southern wheat by sample 68@74c. Corn strong—Spot and March 41½@41½c; April 41½@41½c; Southern white and yellow corn 41@42c. Oats steady; No. 2 white 30 @30½c.

FOREIGN MARKET

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LIVERPOOL, March 27, 4 P. M.—Cotton—Spot quiet; prices 1-32d lower. American middling fair, 5 23-32d; good middling 5 17-32d; middling 5 15-32d; low middling 5 11-32d; good ordinary 5 5-32d; ordinary 4 31-32d. The sales of the day were 7,000 bales, of which 500 were for speculation and export and included 6,100 American. Receipts 26,000 bales, including 22,800 bales American.

Futures opened quiet and closed steady at the advance. American middling (l. m. c.)—March 5 23-64d seller; March and April 5 21-64d seller; April and May 5 18-64d seller; May and June 5 15-64d seller; June and July 5 13-64 @5 13-64d seller; July and August 5 10-64d seller; August and September 5 1-64d seller; September and October 4 44-64@4 45-64d buyer; October and November 4 33-64@4 34-64d seller; November and December 4 28-64@4 29-64d seller; December and January 4 26-64@4 27-64d seller; January and February 4 25-64d buyer.

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Receipts of Naval Stores and Cotton Yesterday.

W. & W. Railroad—97 bales cotton, 1 barrel rosin, 23 barrels tar.

W. C. & A. Railroad—223 bales cotton, 4 casks spirits turpentine, 104 barrels tar.

A. & Y. Railroad—3 bales cotton, 1 cask spirits turpentine, 64 barrels tar.

C. C. Railroad—68 bales cotton, 20 barrels tar.

Steamer E. A. Hawes—1 bale cotton, 119 barrels tar.

Steamer Seabright—4 bales cotton, 6 barrels tar.

Steamer A. P. Hurt—3 casks spirits turpentine, 106 barrels rosin, 109 barrels tar.

Steamer A. J. Johnson—120 barrels tar.

Total—Cotton, 396 bales; spirits turpentine, 7 casks; rosin, 107 barrels; tar, 565 barrels.

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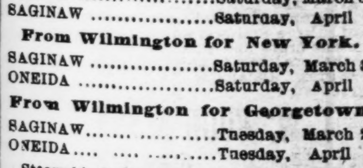

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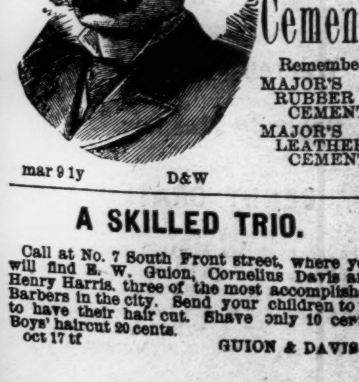

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The princess form is that adopted for the most elegant of winter gowns. In velvet or cloth it is particularly attractive. The trimming is usually passementerie, fringe designing tunics or fur.

Fur is immensely worn, with no reference to the temperature, and jet upon fur is a rich and expensive novelty. Lace, flowers and tulle are combined with fur

CLOTH COAT.

without hesitation. Cabochons, not only in jet, but in turquoise, amethyst and other jeweled effects, are also used.

Fur hats are a feature of the season's millinery. These are not the conventional fur caps or toques, but are regular hat shapes, with a large or small brim, covered with chinchilla, astrakhan and other short pile fur. Usually if the crown is of fur the brim is of velvet, shirred tulle or some other fabric, and vice versa. Such hats are often very elaborate trimmed with spangled net and flowers and are intended to accompany very rich gowns. There are also hats entirely of fur trimmed with big choux of colored mousseline de soie.

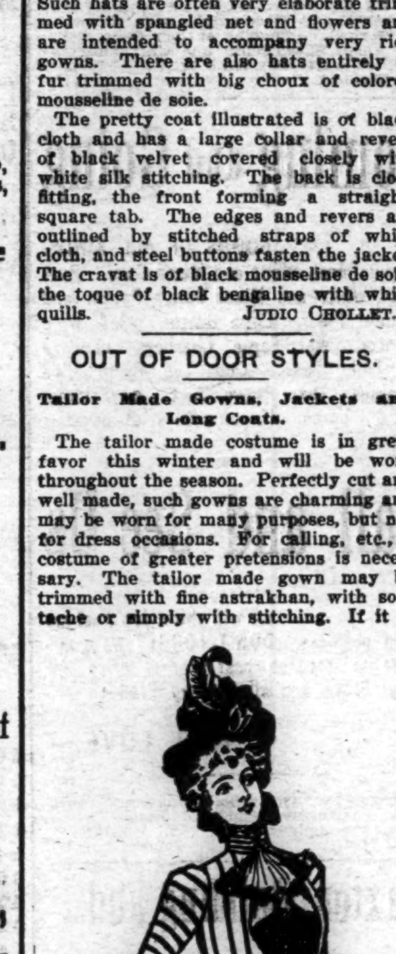
The pretty coat illustrated is of black cloth and has a large collar and revers of black velvet covered closely with white silk stitching. The back is close fitting, the front forming a straight, square tab. The edges and revers are outlined by stitched straps of white cloth, and steel buttons fasten the jacket. The cravat is of black mousseline de soie, the toque of black bengaline with white quills.

JUDIC CHOLLET.

OUT OF DOOR STYLES.

Tailor Made Gowns, Jackets and Long Coats.

The tailor made costume is in great favor this winter and will be worn throughout the season. Perfectly cut and well made, such gowns are charming and may be worn for many purposes, but not for dress occasions. For calling, etc., a costume of greater pretensions is necessary. The tailor made gown may be trimmed with fine astrakhan, with soutache or simply with stitching. If it is



LONG COAT.

made with a bolero or coat, this is usually lined with fancy or contrasting silk.

Young girls' jackets are short this season and are most frequently of mastic or gray cloth.

Tight bolero jackets of red cloth, having the shortest possible basque, are a pretty novelty. The red is bright, and the jacket is a most attractive addition to a soberly tinted tailor made gown.

For automobile and carriage wear the long, loose coat, entirely covering the gown, is adopted. It is almost always finished with a scant circular flounce and has a high, flaring collar.

The long coat illustrated is of mastic cloth and is tight at the back and straight in front. It fastens at the left side, the skirt part being edged by a circular flounce, headed and bordered by rows of stitching. Across the front are diagonal, stitched straps of cloth, terminating under large pearl buttons. Straps and buttons also trim the sleeves. The collar is edged with stitching. The hat of beige felt has a band of brown velvet, with a pearl buckle and brown tulle choux.

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Goat's Milk.

Modern Medicine says that goat's milk, contrary to the general impression, differs from cow's milk not in being more digestible, but in being less digestible and less nutritious, although it contains a larger amount of solid matter than cow's milk. It is indeed the most indigestible of all milk. Goat's milk has a peculiar and unpleasant odor and flavor, due to hircic acid, or hircine. It contains an excess of fat and is therefore altogether too rich for an infant's diet.

How to Draw Them.

"Did you hear about that New York woman who gave $100,000 to a man who rescued her from drowning?"

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One Consolation.

"They say young Folley has been wandering in his mind lately," said one man to another.

"Well," was the heartless reply, "from what I've seen and heard of him he's safe enough; he can't wander very far."—Youth's Companion.

Strategy.

Mrs. Newed—Oh, Jack! The cook was in such an ugly mood today, I thought it best to call in a policeman.

Newed (astonished)—What! To arrest her?

Mrs. Newed—Oh, no—to pacify her.—Brooklyn Life.

CONVICT LABOR.

Agitation In Kentucky to Employ It on Road Improvement.

Convict labor and good roads are a combination which, just at this time, is all important to the Kentucky division of the League of American Wheelmen. Since the days of Boone the state has been mired up all winter and under

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several inches of dust all summer, or has been in the same condition as nearly any other state in the Union.

To remedy this condition is what causes the Kentuckians to think of the before mentioned combination—the pneumatic. The state can ill afford to go to the expense of building a system of good roads, and in looking for an alternative measure the division has hit upon the convicts as the proper class to help them out.

The officers of the division have been in communication with prominent men throughout the country, particularly those interested in the good roads movement and in this way have received unexpected encouragement. It seems to be the consensus of opinion that the use of convicts is the only way in which the roads of the country can be speedily and economically placed in proper condition for traffic at all seasons of the year. In urging the use of the class some of the advocates show that in such use they would not be coming in contact with any class of free labor, as the improvement of the public roads in the United States has progressed so little that there is no such thing as a road building trade, and, again, it is pointed out that good roads are for the entire people, and the convicts, being supported by the people, should be made to build and repair them.

The division will use the matter it is collecting as the basis for a bill to be presented in the next legislature.

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OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY OF THE WILMINGTON & WELDON RAILROAD CO.

WILMINGTON, N. C., March 24th, 1900.

The Board of Directors of the Wilmington and Weldon Railroad Company have declared three and one-half per cent. interest on the Certificates of Indebtedness of that Company due and payable on and after April 1st, 1900, to all holders of record of this date.

The transfer books will stand closed from March 24th to April 1st, 1900, inclusive.

JAMES F. POST,
mar 25 to apr 1 Treasurer W. & W. R. R. Co.

SOUTHEASTERN RAILROAD COMPANY.

SPECIAL MEETING OF STOCKHOLDERS.

Notice is hereby given that the Board of Directors of the Southeastern Railroad Company have called a Special Meeting of the stockholders of the said company, to be held at the company's office in the city of Wilmington, North Carolina, at 12 30 o'clock P. M. on Friday, the 20th, day of April, A. D., 1900.

JAMES F. POST, Secretary.

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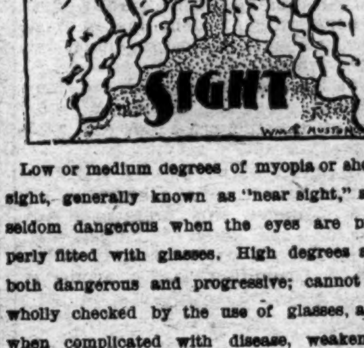

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DEPARTURE FROM WILMINGTON—NORTH BOUND

DAILY 9.45 A. M. — No. 48—Passenger—Due Magnolia 11.16 A. M., Warsaw 11 30 A. M., Goldsboro 12.21 P. M., Wilson 1.16 P. M., Rocky Mount 1.53 P. M., Tarboro 2.31 P. M., Weldon 4.29 P. M., Petersburg 6.28 P. M., Richmond 7.25 P. M., Norfolk 5.55 P. M., Washington 11.30 P. M., Baltimore 1.03 A. M., Philadelphia 3.50 A. M., New York 6.53 A. M., †Boston 3.00 P. M.

DAILY 6.50 P. M. — No. 40—Passenger—Due Magnolia 8.29 P. M., Warsaw 8.33 P. M., Goldsboro 9.27 P. M., Wilson 10.20 P. M., †Tarboro 7.04 A. M., Rocky Mount 11.11 P. M., Weldon 1.04 A. M., †Norfolk 10.25 A. M., Petersburg 2.37 A. M., Richmond 3.23 A. M., Washington 7.01 A. M., Baltimore 8.20 A. M., Philadelphia 10.36 A. M., New York 1.03 P. M., Boston 9.00 P. M.

DAILY except Sunday 2.35 P. M. — No. 50—Passenger—Due Jacksonville 4.13 P. M., Newbern 5.40 P. M.

SOUTH BOUND.

DAILY 3.45 P. M. — No. 55—Passenger—Due Lake Waccamaw 4.56 P. M., Chadbourn 5.26 P. M., Marion 6.34 P. M., Florence 7.15 P. M., Sumter 8.57 P. M., Columbia 10.20 P. M., Denmark 6.12 A. M., Augusta 7.55 A. M., Macon 11.15 A. M., Atlanta 12.35 P. M., Charleston 10.50 P. M., Savannah 1.50 A. M., Jacksonville 7.30 A. M., St. Augustine 10.30 A. M., Tampa 6.05 P. M.

WEST BOUND.

DAILY 9.00 A. M. — No. 53—Passenger—Due Fayetteville 12.05 P. M., leaves Fayetteville 12.25 P. M., arrives Sanford 1.43 P. M.

ARRIVALS AT WILMINGTON—FROM THE NORTH.

DAILY 6 00 P. M. — No 49—Passenger—Leave Boston †1.03 P. M., New York *9.30 P. M., Philadelphia 12.21 A. M., Baltimore 2.55 A. M., Washington 4.30 A. M., Richmond 9.06 A. M., Petersburg 9 48 A. M., Norfolk 9.0? A. M., Weldon 11.50 A. M., Tarboro 12.21 P. M. Rocky Mount 12.52 P. M., Wilson 2.40 P. M., Goldsboro 3.30 P. M., Warsaw 4.21 P. M., Magnolia 4.35 P. M.

DAILY 9.40 A. M. — No. 41—Passenger—Leave Boston 12 night, New York 9.00 A. M., Philadelphia 11 33 A. M., Baltimore 1 46 P. M., Washington 3.07 P. M., Richmond 6.48 P. M., Petersburg 7.21 P. M., †Norfolk 2.20 P. M., Weldon 8.58 P. M., †Tarboro 6.00 P. M., Rocky Mount 5.40 A. M. Leave Wilson 6.20 A. M., Goldsboro 7.01 A. M., Warsaw 7.56 A. M., Magnolia 8.09 A. M.

DAILY except Sunday 12.15 P. M. — No. 51—Passenger—Leave Newbern 9.00 A. M., Jacksonville 10.26 A. M.

FROM THE SOUTH.

DAILY 1.15 P. M. — No. 54—Passenger—Leave Tampa 8.10 A. M., Sanford 3.07 P. M., Jacksonville 8.00 P. M., Savannah 1.45 A. M., Charleston 6.33 A. M., Atlanta 7.50 A. M., Macon 9.00 A. M., Augusta 2.30 P. M., Denmark 4.17 P. M., Columbia 6.40 A. M., Sumter 8.10 P. M., Florence 9.55 A. M., Marion 10.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.35 A. M., Lake Waccamaw 12.03 A. M.

EAST BOUND.

DAILY 6.40 A. M. — No. 52—Passenger—Leave Sanford 2.30 P. M., arrive Fayetteville 3.41 P. M., leave Fayetteville 3.46 P. M.

†Daily except Sunday.

Wilmington and Weldon Railroad, Bennettsville Branch—Train leaves Bennettsville 8.15 A. M., Maxton 9.20 A. M., Red Springs 9 53 A. M., Hope Mills 10.42 A. M., arrive Fayetteville 10.55 A. M. Returning leaves Fayetteville 4.40 P. M., Hope Mills 4.55 P. M., Red Springs 5.35 P. M., Maxton 6.15 P. M., arrives Bennettsville 7.15 P. M.

Connections at Fayetteville with No. 78, at Maxton with the Carolina Central Railroad, at Red Springs with the Red Springs and Bowmore Railroad, at Sanford with the Seaboard Air Line and Southern Railway, at Gulf with the Durham and Charlotte Railroad.

Train between Rocky Mount and Richmond leaves Rocky Mount 7.00 A. M., arrive Weldon 8 05 A. M., arrive Petersburg 10 A. M., arrive Richmond 11.05 A. M.

Trains on the Scotland Neck Branch Road leave Weldon 3.55 P. M., Halifax 4.15 P. M.; arrive Scotland Neck 5.08 P. M., Greenville 6.57 P. M., Kinston 7.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Kinston 7.50 A. M., Greenville 8.52 A. M.; arriving Halifax at 11.18 A. M., Weldon 11.33 A. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains on Washington Branch leave Washington 8.10 A. M. and 2.30 P. M.; arrive Parmele 9.10 A. M. and 4.00 P. M.; returning leaves Parmele 9.35 A. M. and 6.30 P. M.; arrives Washington 11 00 A. M. and 7.30 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train leaves Tarboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 5.30 P. M.; Sunday, 4.15 P. M.; arrives Plymouth 7.40 P. M. and 6.10 P. M. Returning, leaves Plymouth daily except Sunday, 7.50 A. M. and Sunday 9.00 A. M.; arrive Tarboro 10.10 A. M. and 11.00 A. M.

Trains leave Goldsboro, N. C., daily except Sunday, 7.05 A. M.; arrives Smithfield, N. C., 8.10 A. M. Returning leaves Smithfield 9.00 A. M.; arrives Goldsboro 10.25 A. M.

Train on Nashville Branch leaves Rocky Mount at 10.00 A. M., 3.40 P. M.; arrives Nashville 11.10 A. M., 4.03 P. M., Spring Hope 12.40 A. M., 4.55 P. M. Returning, leaves Spring Hope 11.20 A. M., 4.55 P. M., Nashville 12.15 A. M.; 5.25 P. M., arrives at Rocky Mount 11.45 A. M., 6.00 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Train on Clinton Branch leave Warsaw for Clinton, daily except Sunday, at 11.40 A. M. and 4.15 P. M. Returning, leave Clinton at 7.00 A. M. and 2.50 P. M.

Train leaves Pee Dee 10.02 A. M., arrive Latta 10.24 A. M., Dillon 10.36 A. M., Rowland 10.54 A. M. Returning, leaves Rowland 6.00 P. M.; arrives Dillon 6.20 P. M., Latta 6.35 P. M., Pee Dee 7.00 P. M., daily.

Trains on Conway Branch leave Boardman at 3.00 P. M., Chadbourn 5.35 P. M.; arrive Conway 7.40 P. M.; leave Conway 8.30 A. M., Chadbourn 11.50 A. M.; arrive Boardman 12.25 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Sumter 5.13 P. M., Manning 5.41 P. M.; arrive Lane's 6.17 P. M.; leave Lane's 8.34 A. M., Manning 9.09 A. M.; arrive Sumter 9.40 A. M. Daily.

Georgetown and Western Railroad leave Lane's 9.30 A. M., 7.40 P. M.; arrive Georgetown 12.00 M., 9.00 P. M.; leave Georgetown 7.00 A. M.; 3.30 P. M.; arrive Lane's 8.25 A. M., 5.55 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Florence daily except Sunday at 9.50 A. M.; arrive Darlington 10.15 A. M., Hartsville 9.15 P. M., Cheraw 11.30 A. M., Wadesboro 12.35 P. M.; leave Florence daily except Sunday at 7.55 P. M.; arrive Darlington 8.20 P. M., Bennettsville 9.17 P. M., Gibson 10.20 P. M. Leave Florence Sunday only 9.30 A. M., arrive Darlington 10.05 A. M.

Leave Gibson daily except Sunday at 6.00 A. M. Bennettsville 7.00 A. M.; arrive Darlington 8.00 A. M. Leave Darlington 8.50 A. M.; arrive Florence 9.15 A. M. Leave Wadesboro daily except Sunday 4.10 P. M., Cheraw 5.15 P. M., Hartsville 7.00 A. M., Darlington 6.29 P. M.; arrive Florence 7.00 P. M. Leave Darlington Sunday only at 8.50 A. M., arrive Florence 9.15 A. M.

Wilson and Fayetteville Branch leave Wilson 1.58 P. M., 10.25 P. M., arrive Selma 2.48 P. M., 11.10 P. M., Smithfield 3.02 P. M., Dunn 3.40 P. M., Fayetteville 4.25 P. M., 12.17 A. M., Rowland 6.00 P. M. returning leave Rowland 10.53 A. M., Fayetteville 12.20 P. M., 9.55 P. M., Dunn 1.04 P. M., Smithfield 1.43 P. M. Selma 1.50 P. M., 10.54 P. M., arrive Wilson 2.35 P. M., 11.31 A. M.

Trains leave Sumter 4.25 A. M., Creston 5.19 A. M., arrive Denmark 6.12 A. M. Returning, leave Denmark 4.17 P. M., Creston 5.15 P. M., Sumter 6.03 P. M. Daily.

Trains leave Creston 5.45 A. M., arrives Pregnalls 9.15 A. M. Returning, leaves Pregnalls 10.00 A. M., arrives Creston 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

Trains leave Elliott 10.35 A. M., and arrive Lucknow 12.15 P. M. Returning, leave Lucknow 2.10 P. M., arrive Elliotts 3.50 P. M. Daily except Sunday.

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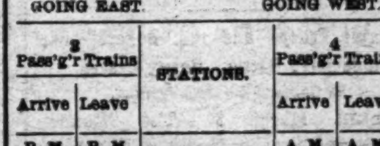

To Take Effect Tuesday, Aug. 8, 1899. at 9 A. M.

GOING EAST. GOING WEST.

2 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	2 Pass'g'r Trains Leave	STATIONS.	4 Pass'g'r Trains Arrive	4 Pass'g'r Trains Leave
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.
....	3 40	Goldsboro......	11 05	....
....	4 32	Kinston......	10 12	....
5 40	5 50	Newbern......	8 57	9 09
7 02	7 07	Morehead City..	7 22	7 27
P. M.	P. M.		A. M.	A. M.

Train 4 connects with W. & W. train bound North, leaving Goldsboro at 11.25 A. M., and with Southern Railway train West, leaving Goldsboro 2.00 P. M., and with W. & N. at Newbern for Wilmington and intermediate points.

Train 3 connects with Southern Railway train, arriving at Goldsboro 3.00 P. M., and with W. & W. train from the North at 3.05 P. M. No. 1 train also connects with W. & N. for Wilmington and intermediate points.

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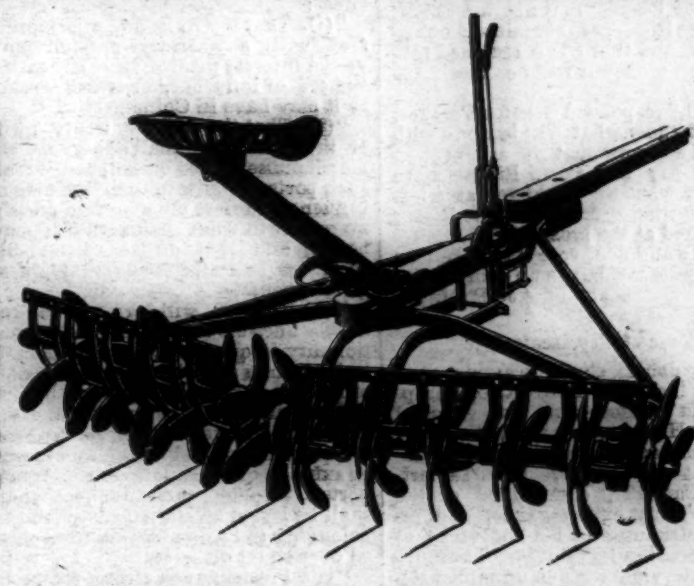

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PORTO RICO MEASURE IN SENATE AND HOUSE.

The Alaskan Code Bill--Amendments Discussed—Lively Debate in the House Over Army Appropriations.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—The Porto Rico tariff and government bill was under discussion for nearly three hours in the Senate to-day, but most of the time was consumed in the consideration of a free coinage amendment offered by Mr. Morgan. The amendment is still pending. The conference report on the pension appropriation bill was agreed to.

A resolution was agreed to calling on the Interior Department for all papers in connection with charges filed against Governor Barnes, of Oklahoma.

The Alaskan code bill was taken up. Mr. Carter, Montana, in charge of the bill, offered an amendment making all land and shoal water below mean tide on the shores, bay and inlets of Bering sea within United States jurisdiction subject to exploration for precious metals by United States citizens or those who have legally declared intentions to become such citizens under the miners rules and reokying all permits heretofore granted for such purpose.

Senator Allen, Nebraska, complained that the permits granted by the Secretary of War were exclusive.

Mr. Carter explained that the licenses granted were such as could be granted to any citizen of the United States. In a sharp attack upon the actioh of the Secretary of War, Mr. Jones, Arkansas, said it was evident to him that the permits had been granted in order to put such a construction upon the law as no court of justice would give it and that it was a deliberate scheme of a few persons to monopolize that rich Cape Nome sand.

This and other suggested amendments were discussed at length but were still pending when at 2 o'clock, by previous agreement, the Porto Rican measure was taken up. Senator Foraker announced that he had concluded not to ask a separation of the tariff and civil government bills, but had decided to proceed with the unfinished business, as it was not before the Senate. Senator Stewart, Nevada, addressed the Senate on the general features of the measure.

Senator Morgan offered an amendment to section 7 of the bill, providing for the free coinage of silver in the United States. He said he found no provision in the bill tor the establishment of national banks on the island.

Senator Foraker replied that the bill extends all the laws of the United States which are not locally inapplicable.

"Does the Senator think national banks may be established there?" inquired Senator Morgan. "Within the limitations named in the bill, I should say yes," responded Senator Foraker.

"Then" retorted Senator Morgan, "Porto Rico is not a foreign country. There is no question about the logic of that proposition."

Senator Foraker explained that the provision in the bill relating to coinage was simply one for the exchange of the Porto Rican silver coin into American silver coin. The general question of the free coinage of silver did not enter into the matter.

Senator Morgan declared that the pending bill proposed to take from the Porto Ricans the peso which was practically a dollar and pay them sixty cents for it.

To this statement Senator Foraker took issue. The Porto Rico peso, he said, was now worth about 48 cents in our money in Porto Rico and the bill proposed to pay 60 cents in money of the United States for it, provided the Porto Ricans desired to make the change.

Senator Clay—"Is it not a fact that the Porto Rican peso contains an ounce of silver, and that when recoined into American money it will be worth 100 cents."

"Well," responded Senator Foraker, "I don't know what will be done with it, but I do know that we are proposing to pay the Porto Ricans sixty cents for what we could get at a less price elsewhere. And the Porto Ricans are pleased at the prospect."

An aye and noe vote was taken on the amendment, but as no quorum was present the Senate at 4.50 P. M, adjourned.

House of Representatives.

Lively debate, covering a wide range of topic, including Porto Rico, Philippines and the Boer war, was engaged in by the House to-day, while the Army Appropriation bill was under consideration. At the outset, Mr. Talbert, South Carolina, complained of the measure's vast extravagance, and replied to strictures on his course as to private pension legislation. The published interview with an unnamed Republican Representative, charging that the Porto Rico tariff was the result of a bargain for campaign funds was again brought up by Mr. Pierce (Tennessee).

Mr. Steele wanted to know how the Porto Rican tariff bill could be used to raise a campaign fund.

Mr. Pierce replied that he could not give the exact steps, but that vast sums of money had been raised by the Republican party in 1896 from various quarters could not be denied. The contributors in one instance had even jogged the memory of the Secretary of the Treasury and he had not dared to resent the insult. (Democratic applause.)

Mr. Hull, Iowa, as a member of the Republican campaign committee, said no man worthy of belief would make such charges anonymously.

Mr. Sulzer, New York, denounced the administration's attitude towards the war in South Africa. All the pro-Boer resolutions, he said, still slept in committee. "I therefore," he said, "desire to place on record my abhorrence and condemnation of the unjust, the inhuman, the predatory, the cruel and the barbarous war the empire of Great Britain is relentlessly waging in South Africa to destroy and exterminate two brave little republics—sisters of our own—and as free and independent."

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CORRESPONDENCE WITH THE POWERS

Respecting Maintenance of the Open Door Policy in the Chinese Empire.

FOR THE WORLD'S COMMERCE

The Proposition Submitted by the United States Government—Prompt and Sympathetic Co-operation of Great Britain.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

WASHINGTON, March 27.—Secretary Hay to-day submitted to Congress the correspondence had with the governments of Great Britain, France, Germany, Russia, Italy and Japan respecting the maintenance of an "open door" in China. The correspondence extended from September 6th last to 20th inst., the last date marking the successful completion of the undertaking.

On September 6th the State Department addressed to our ambassadors at London, Berlin and St. Petersburg, copies of a formal declaration, setting out the desires of our government in the matter of "open door." Italy and Japan were similarly addressed about a month later. While the "formal declarations" sent to the ambassadors were similar, yet each of the officers adopted a different phraseology in addressing themselves to the governments to which they are accredited, the dominant tone being best set forth perhaps in Ambassador Choate's note to his government. After referring to the importance to both governments of the matter, he is directed to present the President's understanding that the British settled policy is freedom of trade in China for all the world alike, though conceding certain spheres of influence by formal treaties with Germany and Russia, Ambassador Choate points out to Lord Salisbury that maintenance of this policy is alike urgently demanded by the commercial communities of our two nations in order to improve existing conditions, and enable extension of their future operations.

The note then says:

"While the government of the United States will in no way commit itself to any recognition of the exclusive rights of any power within or controlling any portion of the Chinese empire, under such agreements as have been recently made, it cannot conceal its apprehensions that there is danger of complications arising between the treaty powers which may imperil the rights insured to the United States by its treaties with China.

"It is the sincere desire of my government that the interests of its citizens may not be prejudiced through exclusive treatment by any of the controlling powers within their respective spheres of interest in China, and it hopes to retain there an open market for all the world's commerce, remove dangerous sources of international irritation and hasten united action of the powers of Pekin to promote administrative reforms so greatly needed for strengthening the imperial government and maintaining the integrity of China, in which it believes the whole world is alike concerned. It believes that such a result may be greatly aided and advanced by declarations by the various powers claiming 'spheres of influence' in China as to their intention in regard to the treatment of foreign trade and commerce therein, and that the present is a very favorable moment for informing her Majesty's government of the desire of the United States to have it make in its own part and to lend its powerful support in the effort to obtain from each of the various powers claiming 'spheres of influence' in China a declaration substantially to the following effect:

"(1). That it will in no wise interfere with any treaty port or any vested interest within any so called 'sphere of influence,' or leased territory it may have in China.

"(2). That the Chinese treaty tariff of the time being shall apply to all merchandise landed or shipped to all such ports are within such 'spheres of influence' (unless they be 'free ports'), no matter to what nationality it may belong, and that duties so leviable shall be collected by the Chinese government.

"(3.) That it will levy no higher harbor dues on vessels of another nationality frequenting any port in such 'sphere' than shall be levied on vessels of its own nationality, and no higher railroad charges over lines built, controlled or operated within its 'sphere' on merchandise belonging to citizens or subjects of other nationalities transported through such 'sphere' than shall be levied on similar merchandise belonging to its own nation transported over equal distances.

"The President has strong reason to believe that the governments of both Russia and Germany will co-operate in such an understanding as here proposed."

The note here refers to a recent ukase of the Czar declaring Ta-Lien-Wan, which Russia has leased, open to the world, and Germany declaring Kiao Chao a free port, and other steps taken, including oral assurance given the United States as to the German "sphere" as indicating that little opposition was expected from those two powers. Japan is also cited as doubtless favorable to the proposition.

Mr. Choate's note concludes:

"The prompt and sympathetic co-operation of her Majesty's government with the United States in this important matter will be very potent in promoting its adoption by all the powers concerned."

The British Answer.

Lord Salisbury's formal answer, dated November 30th, 1899, follows:

"I have much pleasure in informing your excellency that her Majesty's government will be prepared to make a declaration in the sense desired by your government in regard to the leased territory of Wei Hai Wei, and all territory in China which may hereafter be acquired by Great Britain by lease or otherwise, and all spheres of influence now held, or that may hereafter be held by her in China, provided that similar declaration is made by the other powers concerned."

Germany Makes Reply.

On February 19th, Count von Bulow submitted the formal answer of the German government, based upon a promise that satisfactory written replies had been made by other powers. The German note follows:

"I have the honor to inform your excellency, repeating the statements already made verbally, as follows: As recognized by the government of the United States of America, according to your excellency's note referred to above, the imperial government has, from the beginning, not only asserted, but also practically carried out to the fullest extent, in its Chinese possessions, absolute equality of treatment of all nations with regard to trade, navigation and commerce. The imperial government entertains no thought of departing in the future from this principle which at once excludes any prejudicial or disadvantageous commercial treatment of the citizens of the United States of America, so long as it is not forced to do so, on account of considerations of reciprocity, by a divergence from it by other governments. If, therefore, the other powers interested in the industrial development of the Chinese empire are willing to recognize the same principles, this can only be desired by the imperial government, which in this case, upon being required, will gladly be ready to participate with the United States of America and the other powers in an agreement made upon these lines, by which the same rights are reciprocally secured."

Russia's Pledges.

The Russian answer, reciting the promises to Dalny (Talien Wan) which it had redeemed by opening that port, pledges itself in the following language:

"As to the ports now opened, or hereafter to be opened to foreign commerce by the Chinese government, and which lie beyond the territory leased to Russia, the settlement of the question of custom duties belongs to China herself, and the imperial government has no intention whatever of claiming any privileges for its own subjects to the exclusion of foreigners. It is to be understood, however, that this assurance of the imperial government is given upon condition that a similar declaration shall be made by other powers having interests in China.

"With the conviction that this reply is such as to satisfy the inquiry made in the aforementioned note, the imperial government is happy to have complied with the wishes of the American government, especially as it attaches the highest value to anything that may strengthen and consolidate the traditional relations of friendship existing between the two countries."

The French Note.

The French note was submitted on December 16th by M. Delcasse, Minister of Foreign Affairs. It follows:

"The declarations which I made in the Chamber on the 24th of November last, and which I have had occasion to use since then, show clearly the sentiments of the government of the republic. It desires throughout the whole of China, and, with the quite natural reservation that all the powers interested give an assurance of their willingness to act likewise, is ready to apply in the territories which are leased to it, equal treatment to the citizens and subjects of all nations, especially in the matter of custom duties and navigation duties as well as transportation traffic on railways.

Italy and Japan.

After being informed that all the other powers had replied favorably, Count Venosta, in January pledged Italy in the following language:

"I take pleasure in saying that the government of the King adheres willingly to the proposals set forth in said note of December 9th.

The pledge of Japan as put by Minister of Foreign Affairs Siuezo, follows:

"I have the happy duty of assuring your excellency that the imperial government will have no hesitation to give their assent to so just and fair a proposal of the United States, provided that all the other powers concerned shall accept the same.

The last act in the negotiations, that which clinched the agreement, was the dispatch to our diplomatic representatives at the capitals of the several countries concerned, of identical instructions, dated at the Department of State, Washington, March 20th. These directed that the respective governments be informed that all the powers having accepted the United States proposals, this government will therefore consider the assent given it by each government as final and definite, and the gratification of the President is expressed.

BOERS HAVING GOOD LUCK.

Commandant Olivier Appears to Have Saved His Transportation and Supplies—A Raiding Party.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 28, 4 A. M.—The Boers are having a little good luck and are showing some boldness again, as a raiding party estimated at four hundred is believed by the British forces at Warrenton to have crossed the Kimberley Bloemfontein wagon road Monday and to have headed for Jacobsdal, with the intention of cutting the railway, ten miles west.

Commandant Olivier appears to have gotten his five thousand men and twenty-five miles of wagons into rugged country, where he can make an easy rear guard defence. Charles Williams, the military expert, says:

"If this column gets through, substantially, Commandant Olivier will have carried out the great feat of the war, seeing that he ran every chance of being ground between the upper millstone of Lord Roberts' army and the nether millstone of the broken Basuto frontier." He will have done it within fifty miles or so of Lord Roberts' main strength. Certainly it looked for a week as though Lord Roberts held Olivier in the hollow of his hand. If Oliver gets through to Kroonstad with even three thousand men, it will be an important addition to the Boer gathering there. His escape is attributable in part to the worn out condition of the British cavalry horses.

Lord Roberts' transport appears to have been badly dislocated by the loss at Riet river before Cronje's surrender of the wagon train, and in addition to this the army with which he proposes to advance toward Pretoria is nearly double that of the earlier rapid movements.

Ten thousand transport, cavalry and gun animals are due to arrive at Cape ports during this and next week.

It is given out at Cape Town that Lord Roberts' advance may be delayed for months. Although such statements should be received with reserve, it seems positive that he intends to go to Cape Town to meet Lady Roberts, who is due to arrive there within ten days.

The War Office has issued another table of British losses, showing an aggregate of 16,652, which does not include 4,004 who have been invalided home.

FIGHTING IN CHINA.

Imperial Troops and the "Boxers"—An Indecisive Battle—Heavy Losses.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

PEKIN, March 27.—The "Boxer" movement in the North is assuming alarming proportions. News has been received here that an indecisive but severe fight has taken place between the "Boxers" and Imperial troops at Yen Chieu, province of Chi Li. Each force numbered about 1,500 men, and there were heavy casualties on both sides.

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WAR SITUATION IS UNCHANGED.

Reconnoissances and Skirmishes of Slight Importance Are the Only Features.

HEAVY RAINS ARE GENERAL.

Flooded Rivers Will Prevent Advance Movements--Roberts Repairing Railroads--No Attack Expected on Boer Forces in Natal.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 27.—Reconnoisances of slight importance continue to be the only feature of the war in South Africa.

Lord Roberts wires to the War Office as follows:

"*Bloemfontein, March 26.*—Captain Sloane-Stanley, of the Sixteenth Lancers, was slightly wounded in an affair of outposts, north of Modder river, March 25th."

A dispatch from Maseru, Basutoland, March 26th, says:

"The Basutoland government is busy collecting natives to be employed at Bloemfontein in repairing and laying railways. The natives report that the Free Staters on the borders of Basutoland have refused to go to Kroonstad and are staying on their farms, as it is now the ploughing season and they are inclined to keep their land and submit rather than give it up and fight."

Boer reports from Natal show that no developments of importance have occurred there up to March 23rd. A dispatch from the Boer camp, at Glencoe, dated March 23rd, says:

No Attack Expected.

"No attack is expected to be made on the Boer forces in Natal. General Botha and Meyer have been joined by their wives. Pretorius, with a patrol, got between an advance guard of lancers and its main body, March 2nd. One lancer who refused to surrender was shot.

"General Botha denies the reports that Transvaal women were wounded in the Tugela trenches. General Buller has sent the Boers a list of their wounded, stating that he buried sixty men. General Botha says this is impossible, as his rolls do not show any such loss."

Heavy Rains.

Advices to-day from Cape Town, say:

"Rains are general throughout South Africa and rivers which have been dry for years are being flooded. Many camps are transformed into swamps. This will still more militate against an immediate British advance.

Sickness Among Boer Prisoners.

"Sickness among the Boer prisoners on the transports is increasing. Three deaths occurred March 26th. The bodies were buried by the British with the Transvaal flag on the coffins, the leading Dutch of Simonstown attending the funeral. Typhoid fever alone claims one hundred victims among the prisoners and the population of Simonstown fear an epidemic.

The Bund, at a meeting at Paarl March 26th, attended by several members of the Cape Assembly, passed resolutions regretting that the Cape government was not consulted before the war, and declaring that any settlement which did not respect the independence of the republics would be detrimental to the highest interests of the British empire. Mr. Hargrove, the chief speaker, prophesied another war within six years, unless independence was granted, and Assemblyman Marias characterized the war as a continuation of the Jameson raid."

Boers Massing.

LADYSMITH, March 27.—It is reported that the Boers are massing in their entrenched positions at Biggarsberg and it is added that their transport trains are packed at New Castle in readiness to facilitate their retreat in case necessity requires such a step.

Bombarding Mafeking.

MAFEKING, March 14.—The Boers recommenced the bombardment of this place March 12th, a six-inch gun which had been comparatively silent for a week firing the shrapnel used against the troops in the open. The projectiles were ineffectual against cover, but were dangerous to pedestrians. One shell burst in the court house, killing several natives and wounding four persons. Several women were also slightly wounded. The steel plate of the shell passed through the hotel office and spent itself beneath a table where it was scrambled for by the employes.

Sunday, March 11th, was observed as a truce, the British troops sat on the parapets conversing with the Boers and amicable relations were maintained until dark

RUSSIA'S WAR PREPARATIONS

Nearly 250,000 Troops Mobilized for Active Service—Black Sea Squadron Held in Instant Readiness.

By Cable to the Morning Star.

LONDON, March 28, 5 A. M.—The *Standard* gives double leaded prominence to the following special dispatch from Odessa:

"There can be no longer any doubt as the object of the warlike preparations now being completed in South Russia. Nearly 250,000 troops have already been mobilized for active service. The Black Sea squadron with transports is held in instant readiness.

"The tension in the relations between St. Petersburg and the Sublime Porte becomes every day more acute. The position is looked upon with the gravest apprehension.

"If the Ottoman government, supported by Germany, should prove stubbornly intractable with regard to Russia's concessionary demands in Asia Minor, serious complications must inevitably ensue.

"The Russian garrisons in the Caucasus and along the Armenian frontier have been increased four fold and equipped for active service."

YOKAHAMA, March 27.—A Russian squadron has arrived at Chemulpo.

It is believed this presages a demand for a concession of land at Masanpho, a small harbor twenty miles south of Chemulpo and is arousing uneasy comments in Japan.

A meeting of representatives of Virginia and Trunk line railways began yesterday at Battery Park Hotel, Asheville, N. C. Sessions will probably continue two or three days. The object of the meeting is to discuss the question of Summer tourist rates. The prospect is that there will be no material change.

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STARTLING DEVELOPMENTS

In the Goebel Assassination Investigation. Another Important Arrest—The Trial of Powers.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

FRANKFORT, KY., March 27.—There were some startling developments in the Goebel assassination case to day. This afternoon W. H. Culton, who waived examination and was held over to the Circuit Court, went to the Capitol Hotel, where he was in conference with the attorneys for the prosecution for over two hours. He was accompanied by his brother-in law, E. E. Hogg, who is also his attorney. Culton was reported to have made a confession, but late to-night it developed that the information gained was not as sweeping as thought. His friends admit that he gave the prosecution such information as he had and which had heretofore not come out.

Henry E. Youtsey, Republican Auditor Sweeney's clerk, was arrested at noon and locked up in jail, charged with being an accessory to the assassination. He is a half-brother of Hon. L. J. Crawford, a prominent Republican of Newport, and detectives arrested him as the man with the black moustache whom Golden mentioned as being given the key to Caleb Power's office. Youtsey complained that the prosecution had broken faith in arresting him, and it is said he is ready to make a public statement for which the prosecution is not anxious at this time.

At to day's session of the examining trial of the Republican Secretary of State, Caleb Powers, the court room was cleared of all persons except attorneys, newspaper representatives and court officers. The defence announced they would introduce no testimony and tendering Governor Taylor's pardon of Powers asked that the defendant be dismissed upon the evidence. The commonwealth's attorney disputed Taylor's right, and the court over ruled the motion. Bail was asked for. Judge Moore said: "It is not my belief that Powers fired the shot which killed Governor Goebel, but from the evidence it is my opinion that he was connected with the conspiracy to kill him. I shall therefore order that he be held over without bail to the Franklin county grand jury, so that the case may be investigated."

This afternoon Culton's counsel announced that Culton would waive his examining trial and by agreement of the attorneys he will remain at home with his sick wife, under private guard.

Captain John Davis also waived an examination, and was admitted to bail in the sum of $5,000. He was locked up for the night.

The Democratic militia will be retained here till after the April term of the Circuit Court, which begins on Monday, and at which Secretary Powers and others are to be tried.

WANTED IN NORTH CAROLINA.

Joseph C. Metcalf Held in New York—Charged With Stealing $7,000.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—Justice Lawrence was asked in the Supreme Court to-day to release Joseph C. Metcalf, who is held under a warrant for his extradition issued by the Governor of North Carolina on a charge of stealing $7,000 from William C. Clinkley, of Warren county, N. C. Metcalf was concerned with Helen Peck, the confidence woman who is serving five years in Sing Sing for swindling. Metcalf is a Brooklyn lawyer and claims to have been the dupe of the Peck woman. Clinkley was induced to exchange a plantation of 1,600 acres for lots Mrs. Peck said she owned in Washington, worth $100,000. She also got him to give up $7,000 in connection with a mine she said she was about to sell to an English syndicate for $100,000. Justice Lawrence adjourned argument on the writ of habeas corpus until Monday next in order to allow Governor Roosevelt to decide whether he would extradite Metcalf or release him.

DEATH DUE TO VIOLENCE.

Result of an Autopsy on Body of William Henderson of New York.

By Telegraph to the Morning Star.

NEW YORK, March 27.—After an autopsy on the body of William Henderson, the wealthy Brooklyn mineral water manufacturer, who was found dead at the River View Hotel, Merritt Island, Indian river, Florida, Coroner Physician Hatung reported that death was due to cerebral hemorrhage, originating from violence, either directly or indirectly, or by a fall. The top of his skull contained a cross-shaped cut and another cut ran towards the fore head. The left temple and left cheek were discolored and there were abrasions of the fingers. The death certificate on which the body was brought North reports death as being due to heart disease. The undertaker who laid the body out here noticed in transferring the body from the box in which it came into one of his own, that the gauge supporting the hand contained a number of blood stains and notified the authorities of his discovery.

WARM WIRELETS.

The Clemson College base ball team defeated Cornell University team of Ithaca, N. Y., by a score of 9 to 7 at Calhoun, S. C.

On account of pressing engagements Admiral and Mrs. Dewey will have to abandon their trip down the Florida East coast and return to Washington Thursday evening.

Another South Carolina cotton mill incorporated, carrying the total capitalization for the year over the five million mark. The last is a hundred thousand dollar mill at Weinona, S. C., near Augusta, Ga.

A London dispatch says that the report which has been published in the United States that Lord Salisbury has apologized for the opening of American consular mail in South Africa is absolutely untrue.

A negro, Will Edwards, Alias "Wing" Smith, who murdered Edward B. Johnson at Dulaneys levee camp last Thursday night was hanged by a mob to a railroad bridge near Greenville, Miss., Monday night.

Frank, alias "Nooks" Payne, shot and almost instantly killed Thomas Bryant as the result of a quarrel over six cents growing out of a game of cards, at Alexandria, Va. Both are young negroes and Payne claims the act was done in self-defence.

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For Rent—The large commodious Store 115 South Front street formerly occupied by W. H. Gaylord as clothing store, in best business locality; also, the whole upstairs over store 113 South Front street, suitable for boarding house or family use. Terms low. Apply to A. D Wessell. su tu mar 25 2t

Special Notice—We have now gotten more help in our printing rooms and are going to give some advertising prices. We will make the very best Carbonet Photographs, Cabinet size, for $2.15 per dozen. Card Photos 98 cents per dozen. Satisfaction guaranteed. Yours for work, Star Studio, 116 Market street. mar 25 tf

For Sale—Fine Summer Residence on Green, ville Sound; new house; fine grounds and trees-fruit, etc. About 50 acres of good land attached. Apply to office of The Worth Co., Wilmington, N. C. mar 24 tf

Electric Lights, Call Bells, Burglar Alarms —all kinds of electric work done in most approved manner by Atlantic Electric Co., 106 Princess street. Electric Dealers and Contractors. Incandescent Lamps in stock. mar 18 tf

G. C. Simmons, successor to Platt Bros. Lock and Gun sm th, No. 26 South Front street, at the late J. W. Perdew's old stand. Typewriters, Cash Registers, Sewing Machines, etc., repaired. Keys of all kinds fitted. All light machine work solicited All work guaranteed. mar 14 1m

Pupils should make the greatest advancement in this the last quarter; but parents must not expect much unless the children have a properly tuned and regulated instrument upon which to practice. Send postal or call and we'll "do the rest." John G. Russell, corner Fourth and Grace streets. Bell 'Phone 198. mar 13 tf

Clover Hay, Peanut Vines, Timothy Hay Rice Straw and all kinds of feed for horses, cows and chickens. Jno. 6. McEachern, 211 Market street. Telephone No. 98. fe 10 tf

Be Convinced—To my country friends: I am now better prepared than ever to handle your Produce, etc. Mr. R. B. Moore is with me, and will give his personal attention to this department of the business. A. S. Winstead, 113 and 115 North Second street. fe 10 tf

Please Call—We carry a full line of Crockery, Chinaware, Glassware, Lamps, Lamp Chimneys, Tinware, etc. John J. Kelly, 21 Market street. ja 16 6m

Tom and Jerry, Hot Spiced Rum, Hot Scotch, Hot Whiskey, Hot Lunch and Oysters every day at The Globe, No. 22 Market street oct 8 tf

For Sale—Hand-made Buggies of different makes. Also Harness of all kinds; and prices to suit the times. Come and see me when in need of something nice. P. H. Hayden. sep 24 tf

Why not call on Marshall & Jones for your Blacksmith and Wheelwright work, Electrical Bell work and Plumbing at their General Repair Shops, Seventeenth and Market streets? Bell 'Phone 474, Inter-State 197 call 4. Competent workmen in every department. sep 24 tf

Coming and Going

GOODS OF ALL KINDS.

Virginia Meal, White and Mixed Corn. Rust Proof, White and Mixed Oats. Patent and Straight Flour. Elgin Butter. Red Wine Tobacco. War Eagle Cheroots, Laundry and Toilet Soap. Cuba and Porto Rico Molasses. Dixie Plows. Salt. Hay. Lime. Meats. Lards. If you will send us your orders or

Call and See Us

we will show you that we mean business. DON'T FORGET we guarantee to get the best market price for Naval Stores and all Country Produce.

T. D. LOVE.

Steamer for Fayetteville Mondays and Thursdays. Passengers, freight and towage. For rates apply to T. D. LOVE, mar 20 tf General Agent.

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MAXTON, N. C.

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Initiation Fee, 25 cents per share. Subscriptions to stock payable in weekly instalments of 25 cents per share. The management is prudent and economical, as is shown by the fact that the Association has sustained no losses, and its annual expenses, including taxes, are only about Two Hundred Dollars. J. D. CROOM, President. W. B HARKER Secretary. fe 10 tf

OLD NEWSPAPERS.

You Can Buy Old Newspapers in Quantities to Suit, at the STAR OFFICE

Paper and Excellent for

Placing Under Carpet

no 24 tf

Photographic Change.

Having decided to make a change in my business and wishing to reduce my stock of material I will for a short while make the best grade of Carbonet Photographs for just a little more than half price. This is a genuine bargain and I invite everybody to come in and examine work and get prices. It will do you good whether you want Photographs or not. Yours for nobby Photographs at low prices.

U. C. ELLIS, Photographer, mar 23 tf 114 Market street.

The Beautiful Spring Has Come.

WE HAVE ON HAND A NEW LOT of Percales, Lawns, Dimities and Piques. We will sell the very best 12½c Percales, 1 yard wide, at 10c per yard. Also, 12½c Piques at 10c yard. We have a beautiful line of Lawns, pretty patterns, at from 4, 5, 8 and 10c. We can show you the prettiest line of Dimities you ever saw at 8c per yard. We have some Winter Dress Goods left that we will sell very cheap. All kinds of Domestic Goods at rock bottom prices.

Shoes Johnnie Snipes said he would, in the future, buy all of his Shoes from us for the simple reason that he was thoroughly convinced that we sold them from 15 to 25 per cent. cheaper than any other house in the city. Furthermore he said we had such a large stock of them that he could always get just what he wanted, and did not have to take what he did not want. Call on us for real bargains.

C. O. GAYLORD'S Branch Store,
J. H. BOYD, General Manager.
Bell 'Phone 397. Corner Fourth and Campbell Streets. mar 25 tf

The Rush is now on,

but we can have you a Suit by Easter. Drop in and look over our line of English, Scotch and Domestic Suitings. Everybody pronounces them the handsomest they have ever seen.

Our Easter week wear is Swell. Buy now before it is picked over.

Furnishing Goods of every description.

mar 25 tf

M. H. CURRAN,
107 PRINCESS STREET.

Some Interesting Figures.

Capital of the Four Great Banks of the World.

BANK OF ENGLAND,	$86,047,935
BANK OF FRANCE,	36,500,000
IMPERIAL BANK OF GERMANY,	28,560,000
BANK OF RUSSIA,	25,714,920
TOTAL,	$176,822,855

FUNDS HELD BY THE MUTUAL LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY FOR THE PAYMENT OF ITS POLICIES, DECEMBER 31, 1899, $301,844,537

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First class contracts will be given to live, energetic and reliable agents. mar 24 2w

MICHIGAN FLOUR.

290 Barrels ½ Patent Flour.
110 Barrels Straight Flour.
820 Bags 1-8 Flour.
516 Bags ¼ Flour.
240 Bags ½ Flour.
100 Barrels Best Patent.
115 Bags California Peaches.
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47 Dozen Strawberry Jam.
85 Boxes Smoking Tobacco.
85 Boxes Pipe Free.
LET YOUR ORDERS COME.

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Wholesale Grocer,
mar 25 tf Wilmington, N. C.

Smoked Shoulders. 2000 Lbs. Nice Smoked Shoulders. 5000 Lbs. Plates. 25000 Lbs. D. S. Sides! 100 Bbls. Pork.

Also, some Seed Oats, Seed Potatoes and Groceries.
Ask for prices.

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mar 18 tf Wilmington, N. C.

SANDERS,
at
The Unlucky Corner
will interest you for a while with
CUT PRICE.

A 3 lb can Peaches, worth 25c, now 17c.
Smok d Beef Tongues, 25c.
Springfield Hams only 15c lb.
The best Ham for the money you can get anywhere.
Niggertoes, A No. 1, just 10c lb.
1 quart can Barnett Pears,
14½c can.

Watch this Space for Chance. It will pay YOU.
mar 18 tf

NOTICE.

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☞ For Bargains see
feb 28 1m F. T. MILLS.

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A VERY LARGE AND VERY DESIRABLE LOT AT THE NORTH END OF

Wrightsville Beach

RUNNING FROM OCEAN TO CHANNEL.

W. M. CUMMING,
REAL ESTATE AGENT AND NOTARY PUBLIC.
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THE OLD WOMAN THAT LIVED IN A SHOE

Must have found it as comfortable as ladies do our fine Vici Kid Oxfords and low Buttons at

$2.00, $2.50 and $3.00

Or she would not have cared to live in it. You can live in our shoes every day in ease, which is appreciated when Spring makes your feet feel heavy and lag. Our stock of Men's, Boys', Ladies' and Misses' Shoes is unsurpassed.

GEO. R. FRENCH & SONS.
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Our business in Farm Seeds is to-day one of the largest in this Country. A result due to the fact that quality has always been our first consideration. We supply all Seeds required for the Farm.

GRASS & CLOVER SEEDS, Cow Peas, Cotton Seed, Seed Oats, Seed Corn, Soja, Navy & Velvet Beans, Sorghums, Broom Corn, Kaffir Corn, Peanuts, Millet Seed, Rape, etc.

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SEEDSMEN, - Richmond, Va.
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Crackers,
Crackers, Crackers.

NO MORE USE IN ASKING IF CRACKERS ARE FRESH. WE BAKE THEM EVERY DAY.

Warren's Steam Bakery and Cafe,
Opposite Masonic Temple.
feb 25 tf

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The best for the shippers beyond a doubt, are those made by the Warsaw Crate Factory. The Cups contain just 67 cubic inches, and no more. They always give satisfaction.

Also, Baskets for lettuce, peas, beans, grapes, etc. THOS. R. PEIRCE,
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